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HRP seize gun linked to drive-by

CRIME Halifax Regional Police believe they have seized the second of two guns used in a drive-by shooting earlier this week in Dartmouth.

A resident found the firearm near Lake Banook and called police, an HRP news release said Thursday, adding officers had already recovered another gun and bullet-proof vest at an outside location after the shooting occurred Tuesday.

Halifax Regional Police say officers responded to several shots being fired from a dark blue Ford Fusion, or a similar vehicle, just before 9 p.m. that night.

Police believe the intended victim was a 23-year-old man who was walking alone between Lakefront Road and Joffe Street, but no one was hurt.

Police spokesman Const. Brian Palmeter said Wednesday the person they believe was the intended victim hasn't been co-operating with police.

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John Dunsworth gives Patrick Roach a smooch on the cheek before the premiere of the new Trailer Park Boys movie Countdown to Liquor Day at the Atlantic Film Festival Thursday night. Dunsworth plays the character of Mr. Lahey, while Roach plays Lahey's assistant Randy. **More AFF coverage, pages 28-31.**

Tuxes and trailers

Ricky, Julian, Bubbles and gang get red-carpet treatment at AFF

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The Trailer Park Boys rolled onto the red carpet Thursday night with all the glitz 'n' glam — er, rum 'n' coke — the world premiere of a major motion picture called Countdown to Liquor Day should entail.

"It's like three seconds of rum and a second of mix," Julian (John Paul Tremblay) said when asked whether he was drinking a single or double, before stumbling into the Oxford Theatre, without a single splash spilling from his drink.

"Hopefully people will

laugh," Julian said of the sequel he's starring in with his Sunnyvale partners-in-petty-crime, Ricky (Robb Wells) and Bubbles (Mike Smith).

When asked by reporters which designers they were wearing, Bubbles said "the fall collection of Wrangler," while Ricky said "Walmart" and some stuff he stole from "somebody's suitcase at the airport."

Rapper and porn producer J-Roc (Jonathan Torrens) and his buddy who's actually black Tyrone (Tyrone Parsons) wore their finest bargain-bin bling for the first major screening of Trailer Park Boys: Countdown to Liquor Day at the 29th Atlantic Film Festival.

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"I'm wearing something I found on the 102," J-Roc said of the fur coat he apparently picked up off of the highway. "This is real skunk though, you know what I'm sayin'?"

Red-haired, low-cleaved Sarah (Sarah Dunsworth) and Ricky's baby mama Lucy (Lucy Decoutere) also posed on the red carpet along with several other Sunnyvale residents, including alcoholic Jim Lahey (John Dunsworth) and his big-bellied boy toy Randy (Patrick Roach).

Nova Scotia's most well-known trailer trash weren't the only celebrities snagging attention at the festival's kickoff event. Halifax MP Megan Leslie, Cabinet Minister Percy Paris and even Miss Canada International 2009 — 20-year-old Bridget Nickerson of Yarmouth — were also on hand.

Director Mike Clattenburg one-upped Julian, drinking straight from part of a one-litre plastic bottle. "I didn't have time to actually get a drink glass, so I just mixed this in the car."

"It's our swan song," he told reporters, on a more serious note. "I hope you like it — cheers."

Arrest made in alleged abduction at airport

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CRIME Police made an arrest late Thursday in the alleged abduction of a woman from the parkade at Halifax Stanfield International Airport Wednesday night.

Codiac RCMP arrested a 50-year-old man in relation to the incident in Moncton, N.B., at 5 p.m.

The man was arrested without incident and was to remain in Moncton police custody overnight. Halifax RCMP spokesman Cpl. Joe Taplin said Thursday night they hoped to have the 50-year-old brought to Nova Scotia Friday morning and before the courts by the end of the day. Taplin said earlier Thursday they believed the victim of the alleged incident, a 41-year-old from Halifax, didn't know her abductor, and was forced into withdrawing money from her bank account at several ATMs during the three-hour ordeal which ended in Truro.

Police say the woman told them she went to the airport to drop someone off, and upon returning to the airport's parking garage around 1:30 p.m., was approached by a male, who threatened and forced her into her car. He was believed to have a weapon. The woman's still-missing vehicle — a burgundy 2000 Chrysler Intrepid — went northbound to Truro.

Police said she was eventually able to escape and contact police.

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With their extensive industry experience and professional qualifications, Community College faculty and professional support employees deserve to be treated fairly. They should be awarded wage increases and benefit packages comparable to other public servants. It's a matter of fairness and equity.

After more than a year of negotiations, the

Nova Scotia Teachers Union and Nova Scotia Community College have resolved all outstanding issues other than salary, term of agreement and medical benefits.

Except the College has been given no commitment from the Department of Education to support the same economic benefits that other public servants now enjoy.

We've met; we've talked; we've even sought conciliation. The only remaining option is a strike vote.

On September 22, faculty and professional support employees of the Nova Scotia Community College will be asked to cast their votes in support of job action.

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WWE returning for Halifax show

Wrestlin' fans are no doubt getting excited as for the first time in five years, World Wrestling Entertainment is returning to the city for a Raw-brand house show Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Halifax Metro Centre. The list of wrestlers scheduled to compete include WWE champion John Cena, left, Randy Orton, MVP, Mark Henry, the Miz and Kofi Kingston. Tickets range in price from \$28.75 to \$74 and are available online at ticketatlantic.com or by phone at 451-1221.

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Byelection dates set for 2 ridings

ELECTIONS Premier Darrell Dexter has set a date for two Nova Scotia byelections.

Voters in Inverness and Antigonish ridings will cast ballots on Oct. 20.

The seats became vacant when former premier Rodney MacDonald recently stepped down in Inverness and Angus MacIsaac did the same in Antigonish.

The Conservative resignations leave the party with just eight seats in the 52-seat legislature.

The New Democrats have 31 and the Liberals 11.

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Legislature takes off

Opposition blasts throne speech as lacking

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The new-look legislature kicked off Thursday with a bit of everything — political promises, opposition attacks and a drop-in by the Trailer Park Boys.

The NDP kicked off its first round in the legislature with a throne speech by Lt.-Gov. Mayann Francis that laid out its vision for the province. However, aside from a promise to overhaul the welfare system, the speech was almost entirely a rehashing of election promises.

Meanwhile, downstairs the Trailer Park Boys, in the midst of promoting their new movie, dropped by saying they wanted to see the premier. But because the house of assembly was sitting at the time and they didn't have an invitation, they got turned away at the lobby.

Back upstairs the opposition parties wasted little time taking shots. Conservative Leader Karen Casey said the throne speech "lacked any substance." Liberal Leader Stephen McNeil took things a step further.

"This party was so eager to get into government, so hungry for power, that they forgot to make a plan," he said in his official response.

Still, the mood was decidedly light. When McNeil



Lt.-Gov. Mayann Francis reads the throne speech at the opening of the legislature at Province House Thursday.

tried to make a negative comparison of the NDP to the previous government, he said the Tories had been open and transparent with Nova Scotians. That sparked hoots of laughter from both the NDP and the normally quiet spectator balcony, as well as cheerful applause from the Tories.

Afterwards, while talking to reporters, Premier Darrell Dexter defended the throne speech and said his government plans to keep all of its election promises.

"For me, this is a new beginning for a new govern-

ment. It is about setting the right tone for the years to come," he said.

Dexter said he wants his government to work more closely with opposition parties than previous administrations.

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Voters to choose new councillor for District 6

BYELECTION Who will stand up for East Dartmouth-The Lakes residents in council chambers?

The answer to that question will soon be answered, as voters in District 6 will head to the polls Saturday to pick their favourite out of seven candidates vying for the city hall seat left vacant by former councillor Andrew Younger.

Younger jumped ship from municipal to provincial politics when he successfully ran for the Liberal party in June's election, becoming the MLA for Dartmouth East.

The candidates hoping to replace him are Robin Allen, Phil Brown, Shane Dafoe, Tracey Devereaux, Darren Fisher, John McMillan and Brian Warshick. Warshick has held the District 6 seat previously.

Advance polling started last Saturday and continues via telephone and In-

More info

• Go to halifax.ca/election for more information about the vote, or call the election helpline between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. at 1-877-420-VOTE.

ternet until 7 p.m. this Saturday.

Residents can also cast their ballots by stopping by the East Dartmouth Community Centre at 50 Caledonia Road on Saturday between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m.

A Halifax Regional Council report says this weekend's special municipal election is expected to cost \$85,000.

There are about 13,000 eligible voters and close to 20,000 residents in East Dartmouth-The Lakes, one of 23 polling districts across the municipality.

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Native leaders say bands kept from fisheries 10 years after court ruling

MARSHALL CASE Native leaders marked the 10th anniversary of a landmark Supreme Court ruling with a call on the federal government to go much further in allowing the Mi'kmaq and Maliseet access to fisheries.

The Supreme Court ruling on Sept. 17, 1999, in the Donald Marshall case recognized that the Mi'kmaq and Maliseet of Atlantic Canada have a treaty right to earn a moderate livelihood from fishing. But Shawn Atleo, national chief of the Assembly of First Nations, said Thursday Ottawa is still resisting the ruling.

"Canada has yet to recognize our peoples in a fundamental way," he told a news conference. "We still have policy being done to us and being done for us in isolation of our First Nations leaders."

Atleo said even though the judges in the Marshall case clearly laid out a need for Ottawa to consult with native bands in how the ruling applies, the federal government has yet to fully recognize the treaty right even exists.

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Sketch released of sleep-watcher

Police seek suspect after south-end homes of 14 women invaded at night

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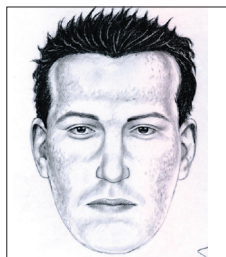
Halifax Regional Police have released the sketch of a suspect they believe is connected to a number of frightening sleep watching incidents in the city's south end.

Over the last year, police say there have been 14 reports of a man breaking in to the residences of young women and watching them sleep.

"Our belief at this point is it is the same person in-

involved in all of them, but due to the fact we've had limited information on a number of these incidents, we haven't ruled out the fact that there may be another person involved," police spokesman Const. Brian Palmeter said Thursday.

The most recent case occurred last Saturday morning when a 19-year-old woman on the 1700 block of Henry Street awoke to find an unknown man watching her sleep around 4:40 a.m. The victim awoke, police say, causing the suspect to flee the



Police sketch of suspect

scene on foot.

While the suspect wasn't found, police say the victim has provided enough

information for a sketch of the suspect, which was released to the media Thursday with the hopes of someone being able to identify him.

In all of these sleep-watching cases, the victims have described the suspect as a white man in his early-to-mid-20s.

"We're hoping somebody will recognize him and come forward ... with the information that will help us identify him and hopefully make an arrest in these cases," Palmeter said.

Contact police

• Anyone with information on the sketched suspect is asked to contact Halifax Regional Police at 490-5016 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

No one has been hurt in the 14 incidents, but police are concerned "the intruder's actions may escalate," a release said Thursday. Police also remind residents to be vigilant in keeping their homes secure, especially before going to sleep.

Youth arrested after confrontation with ex-Citadel student

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Halifax Regional Police say "a disturbance" took place Thursday morning at Citadel High School resulting in the arrest of one male and the school's liaison officer being "confronted by a number of youths."

Const. Brian Palmeter of Halifax Regional Police said the disturbance took place shortly after 10:30 a.m. with the liaison officer being confronted by youths after arresting the male.

"They were basically challenging his authority and acting in an aggressive manner towards him," Palmeter said. "Additional officers were requested and attended, and within a couple of minutes, everything was restored to order."

Halifax Regional School Board spokesman Doug Hadley said the "disturbance" was a fight between a Grade 11 student from Citadel, and a non-student looking to re-enroll.

"It was broken up and my understanding is one of the two got into it with a police officer," Hadley said.

"Within a couple of minutes, everything was restored to order."

Const. Brian Palmeter

"The school did go into an isolation for about 20 minutes while they were dealing with that ... and then it returned to its normal activities."

Palmeter said the arrested youth was turned over to his mother and no charges were expected to be laid.

Police were also called to the school on Wednesday to deal with a fight, but Palmeter doesn't know if Thursday's incident was related to the earlier disturbance.

Hadley said they believe the dispute between the two who fought Thursday stems from "a long-standing dispute that exists outside of the school."

"I'm hopeful it's been handled as the school has talked to the parents of those involved and that will put an end to it," Hadley said.

Province to accelerate women's shelter funds

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You Can't Beat A Woman. Those words were scrawled across purple T-shirts worn Thursday by supporters of Bryony House and other transition houses. It's also the message they were sending to the Nova Scotia government as they stood outside Province House demanding more funding for women's shelters across the province.

It seems that message is getting through, as Thursday's throne speech from Lt.-Gov. Mayann Francis promised the new NDP government "will increase funding for transition houses to support the vital work they do in our communities."

In fact, Community Services Minister Denise Peterson-Rafuse said the province is accelerating its \$500,000 commitment for women's shelters, doling out the much-needed dough next spring instead of in "year two" as planned.

"We do understand the situation and the need and that's what we're here for. We're here for the people of Nova Scotia and the



Cathy Murphy hangs a ribbon on the fence outside Province House yesterday during the launch of a green ribbon campaign for the Friends of Transition Houses Network.

most vulnerable," she said. But Peterson-Rafuse said a decision on any follow-up funding hasn't yet been made.

She said the New Democrats want to work with women's shelters and other groups, instead of creating a "you against us" scenario. "We'd like to try to change that way of viewing government."

Lori Walton, of newly formed network Friends of Transition Houses, called Thursday's unexpected news "fantastic" but said

more money is needed since operational funding has been frozen since 1996. Walton said the cash committed doesn't mean Bryony House will be able to bring back its outreach worker, who was laid off last month. Two other full-time workers at the Halifax women's shelter have had their hours reduced due to cutbacks.

Earlier Thursday, Walton and more than 40 other demonstrators wore green ribbons and hung green bows on a Hollis Street

fence "to signify renewal and abundance."

"A renewal in the way public monies are distributed and a renewal in the ways that government and communities interact," Walton said. "It is ultimately the women in our communities who are suffering."

Bryony House worker Jennifer McKeen said she received four distress calls Wednesday "that should have been referred to outreach — unfortunately we did not have that option."

RCMP probe death in Digby

INVESTIGATION Digby RCMP are investigating a suspicious death after the body of a middle-aged man was found in the town Thursday afternoon.

Police said they were called to a residence at 1:30 p.m. after receiving a 9-1-1 call. When police arrived the dead man's body was located inside.

"At this point in time it's still very much in the pre-

liminary stages of the investigation and members on scene have deemed it suspicious in nature," RCMP spokeswoman Sgt. Brigitt Leger said late Thursday, adding no one has been taken into police custody, but that could change. "As you can appreciate, this whole situation is unfolding at the scene," she added.

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Flying out this weekend?

Construction at the Halifax Stanfield International Airport will require the closure of the upper departures road that runs in front of the terminal building. The road will be closed Friday starting at 6 p.m. to Saturday at 6 a.m. for installation of the canopy at the domestic arrivals area. **METRO HALIFAX**

Counting down to liquor day

On the eve of their movie release, Trailer Park Boys make big plans for the future

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Their show is over, but the Trailer Park Boys still have plans — big plans.

With their final movie set for release, the boys sat in a Delta Halifax hotel room Thursday, and in full-character, discussed what's coming next.

Bubbles, a.k.a. Mike Smith, is toying with the idea of running for prime minister at his friends' urging.

"I think you should do it. But do you gotta wear court clothes every day?" said Julian, also known as John Paul Tremblay.

"No, you see, I would just change the rules, Julian," replied Bubbles. "Rule No. 1 as Bubbles Prime Minister: Wear whatever the f-k you want to work."

"One good thing to get a lot of people to vote for you would be if you get in a bar fight, only the loser should go to jail," offered Ricky, or Robb Wells.

The campaign may have kicked off a few hours lat-



Trailer Park Boys Julian, Bubbles and Ricky drop by Province House Thursday afternoon during the start of the fall legislature session for Nova Scotia. The new Trailer Park Boys movie Countdown to Liquor Day premiered Thursday night at the Atlantic Film Festival.

er, when the boys crashed the opening of the fall sitting of the Nova Scotia legislature. Lacking any form of invitation, security didn't let them get close to

Premier Darrell Dexter.

Then on Thursday evening their movie Trailer Park Boys: Countdown to Liquor Day enjoyed its world premiere at the

kickoff to the 29th Atlantic Film Festival.

The movie features a bank robbery, an SPCA break-in and a high-speed chase while characters pee

"One good thing to get a lot of people to vote for you would be if you get in a bar fight, only the loser should go to jail."

Robb Wells, a.k.a Ricky

on each other from separate cars.

The movie also marks the final chapter of the Trailer Park Boys franchise.

Julian may return to television, but when he said he wanted to star on the show Mantracker, the others boys didn't quite understand.

"Julian wants to work for a phone sex line called Mantracker!" remarked Bubbles.

"No, it's that dude on the horse who tries to capture you before you get to the end," Julian protested.

"What does he do when he catches you?" asked Ricky.

"Nothing. You lose," Julian replied.

Worries will persist over low tax: MLA

BORDER The MLA for Cumberland North says there's not a lot that can be done to alleviate concerns from local retailers losing customers to the lower taxes in the next province over.

Convenience store owner Mike LeBlanc made his concerns public over the last few weeks with a sign posted outside his South Albion Street business in Amherst. The sign thanked the Nova Scotia government for the high taxes, signed New Brunswick retailers.

MLA Brian Skabar says little can be done to curb cross-border buying.

"There's no real way to stop cross-border shopping for things like cigarettes like there is in fuel," Skabar said, noting that the gas issue was one of his platform commitments during his election campaign.

"Customers will get one tank worth of fuel at one time, so it does make business sense to make that change in the border towns. For people that are going to be buying cigarettes, they'll travel 40 or 50 kilometres and get as many as they can afford at any given time."

LeBlanc, meanwhile, voiced his concerns about losing a quarter of his customers since the price of tobacco increased by \$10 per carton.

AMHERST DAILY NEWS

Head-on collision lands teen in Halifax hospital

ACCIDENT A 17-year-old male is in critical condition at the QEII Health Sciences Centre in Halifax following a two-vehicle head-on collision on Route 19 late Wednesday evening.

According to Port Hawkesbury RCMP, a vehicle travelling in the southbound lane lost control and collided with another vehicle travelling north, around 10:20 p.m. Wednesday.

The 17-year-old passenger of the southbound vehicle sustained serious head injuries and was airlifted to Halifax.

The adult male driver of that vehicle is being inves-

tigated for impaired driving and RCMP have obtained blood samples for testing. If the man's blood alcohol level is over the legal limit he will be charged with impaired driving

causing bodily harm.

The female driver of the other vehicle was treated in hospital and released.

A dog travelling in the car with her was killed on impact.

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Province moves to protect wilderness

COMMITMENT Nova Scotia has a new protected wilderness area near Halifax.

The Ship Harbour Long Lake Wilderness Area is made up of 14,700 hectares of old forest, wetlands, raised bogs, and numerous lakes and waterways.

This new wilderness area is part of the province's commitment to protect 12 per cent of Nova Scotia's land base by 2015.

Raymond Plourde of the Ecology Action Centre says the area is a "wilderness gem" and one of the last large, pristine wilderness areas in the province.

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12 The province has committed to protecting 12 per cent of the province's land base over the next six years.

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Leadership races often turn ugly, but the contest to become the next leader of the Action démocratique du Québec set an eyebrow-raising benchmark this week. The low point came when the top candidate's cancer diagnosis became fodder for a political attack by his underdog rival. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

ADQ leadership race gets ugly

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Bill supports war resisters

A Liberal MP has introduced a private member's bill aimed at letting American "war resisters" stay in Canada. The bill from Gerard Kennedy, left, would allow foreign military deserters — or those who refuse mandatory military service — to stay in Canada if their action is based on "sincere moral, political or religious objection." MPs have already voted twice to support war resisters, but that was through motions that are not binding on the government. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

U.S. trip a boost for Harper?

Prime Minister talks proudly about Canada's economy in New York

He chatted amiably with his new friend "Barack," raised Canadian concerns about U.S. trade protectionism on Capitol Hill, and capped his U.S. visit by lauding Canada's economic smarts to a friendly business audience in Manhattan.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper's three-day visit to the United States seemed tailor-made for an embattled politician looking for a leg up against a well-travelled rival: Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff, who has derided him for a lack of action on protectionist U.S. trade policies.

With the fading prospect of a fall election still very much in play, Harper ended his U.S. jaunt on a high note



Prime Minister Stephen Harper walks with U.S. Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi and House Minority Leader John Boehner, centre, Thursday on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C.

Thursday night in a speech that celebrated Canada's successes in the face of a global economic melt-

down that has hit its southern neighbour far harder.

"Despite the turbulence

of recent months, Canadian banks are secure, our markets are expanding, our stimulus is working,

our taxes are falling, our long-term fiscal position is solid," Harper said in prepared remarks to the Canadian-American Business Council in New York. "If we stay the course, Canada's future has never looked so bright."

The Manhattan event concluded three days of activity for Harper and a coterie of cabinet ministers in the U.S. capital.

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Body bag shipment 'routine'

MANITOBA A shipment of body bags that appalled aboriginal leaders when it arrived in flu-stricken Manitoba reserves was part of "routine restocking" of supplies and had nothing to do with the second coming of swine flu, Health Canada said Thursday.

That explanation has done little to satisfy Manitoba's aboriginal leaders, who say the health minister should apologize personally.

An official with Health Canada said the bags were part of a shipment intended for reserves to use over the winter and were not "linked exclusively to H1N1."

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News in brief

SOLDIER Another Canadian soldier has been killed and 11 others injured in an IED strike in Afghanistan. The victim was identified as Pte. Jonathan Couturier, 23, of 2nd Battalion, Royal 22e Regiment, based in Valcartier, Que. Brig.-Gen. Jonathan Vance said Couturier was involved in an operation that involved capturing weapons caches and preventing the movement of insurgents.

LAWSUIT Alexia Life Sciences Inc. said it has a deal to settle two proposed class-action lawsuits launched against the Cold-FX flu remedy maker two years ago, alleging some of its past financial statements were misleading.

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Number of older moms rising: Stats Can report

FAMILY The number of older mothers in Canada with a pre-school child or children has more than doubled in the last 20 years, according to a new report from Statistics Canada.

The 2006 census found of the 1.3 million women aged 40 to 44, 8.9 per cent were mothers of at least one child aged four and younger.

And the report suggests that highly educated women — especially those

with university degrees — are much more likely to have children when they're in their 30s and 40s.

The study found that 13.8 per cent of women aged 40 to 44 who had a bachelor's degree were mothers to a young child, compared with 6.4 per cent of women with a high school diploma or less. The proportion was 19.8 per cent for women who had a doctorate.

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A jumbo disappointment for TV's Bob Barker

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Mulroney wins again

Tories past and present hail him at gala

POLITICS A who's who of Canadian conservatives converged Thursday evening at a celebration of Brian Mulroney's massive 1984 electoral win.

The former Tory prime minister arrived with his wife Mila, and participated in a group photo with the other greying members of his former caucus.

The downtown Montreal hotel was buzzing with hundreds of conservatives, from former New Bruns-

"We took on big challenges."

Joe Clark, former PM

wick premier Bernard Lord to former prime ministers — such as Joe Clark.

"I'm very pleased that this is being done," said Clark.

"It's focused naturally on Brian and Mila, but it's also about a government that has a great deal to be

proud of, that accomplished a lot.

"We took on big challenges across a wide range of issues."

The gala was an opportunity to heal a rift between the Mulroney folks and Prime Minister Stephen Harper's camp.

Harper pre-recorded a congratulatory video to be shown.

Harper's wife Laureen was to attend on his behalf. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Ottawa may pay

FUNDING The federal government is willing to consider extra funding to help provinces deal with any severe pandemic of influenza A (H1N1), also known as swine flu.

Health Minister Leona Aglukkaq announced this Thursday, but stopped short of committing to a specific figure.

"When you're dealing with a pandemic, you don't know what you're dealing

Flu Outbreak

with until you're in it," Aglukkaq said after a meeting with her provincial counterparts.

The provinces have been seeking reassurance that they won't be left footing the bill in the event of a severe outbreak.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Only 580 grizzlies roaming: Experts

WILDLIFE After years of study, experts estimate there are only about 580 grizzly bears roaming the land outside national parks in Alberta.

The number will be used in an independent scientific review that will help determine if Alberta will allow the bears to be hunted for sport again.

Alberta suspended the grizzly hunt in 2006 over fears the numbers were too low. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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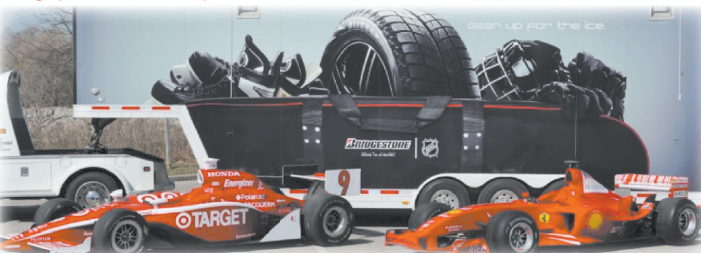
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An Australian man has been arrested on charges of raping his daughter for 30 years and fathering four children with her, CBC News Online reported Thursday. Newspaper reports said the Melbourne man has been accused of raping his daughter since the 1970s when she was 11. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

World



Queen Mother's biography released

The Queen Mother thought it was "utterly abhorrent" when Prince Charles and Princess Diana, left, went public with their marriage failings, according to her official biography released on Thursday. The royal matriarch also regretted her grandson's decision to admit adultery during a 1994 TV interview, said the biographer William Shawcross, who was chosen by Queen Elizabeth II to write an account of her mother's life. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

NASA finds moon one cold place

SPACE Astronomers have found the coldest spot in our solar system and it may be a little close for comfort. It's on our moon, right nearby. NASA is making the first ever temperature map of the moon. They found that at the moon's south pole, it's colder than far away Pluto. The area is inside craters that are permanently shadowed so they never see sun. Temperatures there were measured -238 C. That's just two degrees higher than the lowest temperature possible. The information is from NASA's Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter which started its science mission last week.

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Lab technician charged in Yale student's murder

A Yale lab technician appeared in court and was charged with murder Thursday hours after his arrest in the killing of a graduate student in a research building where they both worked — perhaps sometimes in conflict.

Raymond Clark III, 24, kept his head bowed during the three-minute appearance in the suffocation death of Annie Le, also 24. He didn't enter a plea and said, "Yes, your honour,"

when asked whether he understood his rights. The judge then set bail at \$3 million US.

People interviewed by police have painted Clark as a "control freak" who viewed the laboratory as his territory, and authorities are investigating whether that led to the killing, according to a law enforcement official who spoke on condition of anonymity because the probe continues and many details remain sealed.

Investigators are having a

tough time identifying a motive because Clark won't talk to police, the official said, noting that authorities don't necessarily need a motive because they have strong forensic evidence.

New Haven, Connecticut, police Chief James Lewis said reports that the two had a romantic relationship were untrue "to my knowledge."

"It is important to note that this is not about urban crime, university crime, domestic crime but an issue of

workplace violence, which is becoming a growing concern around the country," Lewis said, adding he wasn't ruling out additional charges. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Student recants gang-rape story

NEW YORK Authorities on Long Island say the Hofstra University student who told police that she had been gang-raped by five men on campus has recanted her story. Nassau County District Attorney Kathleen Rice said in a statement released late Wednesday that the 18-year-old told law enforcement officials that the sex was consensual. Rice says Nassau County Judge Robert Bruno then dismissed the charges against four of the men and ordered their release. The woman had accused the men, including a Hofstra student, of taking her cellphone at an on-campus nightclub and luring her into a dormitory men's room and sexually assaulting her early Sunday.

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India Women vigilantes



Members of gulabi (pink) gang, a women's vigilante group, shout slogans at a protest in New Delhi Thursday as they demand a separate Bundelkhand state.

News in brief

CALIFORNIA A man who says he hurled thousands of golf balls into Joshua Tree National Park for more than a year to honour deceased golfers will be explaining his tribute to a federal magistrate. Park rangers cited 57-year-old Douglas Jones for abandoning property, littering and feeding wildlife, The Desert Sun reported. Park spokesman Joe Zarki said Wednesday that Jones tossed

some 3,000 golf balls from his vehicle. Jones also scattered a few tennis balls and park literature and left fruit and vegetables. Jones says rangers spent 370 hours cleaning up, at a cost of \$9,000 US. Finally spotted in action last month, Jones allegedly told rangers he threw the golf balls to honour deceased golfers. The food was for stranded hikers.

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Italian PM anxious to bring troops home after 6 killed in Afghanistan

ATTACK Italian Premier Silvio Berlusconi said Thursday it would be best for international troops to leave Afghanistan soon, after an IED blast killed a Canadian in Panjwai and another bombing in Kabul killed six Italian soldiers in Italy's deadliest day yet in the conflict.

The Italian defence minister said the six were killed in an attack in the Afghan capital, and four others were injured. Ignazio La Russa says an explosive-filled car rammed into two vehicles carrying 10 Italian soldiers Thursday.

"We are all convinced it's best for everybody to get out soon," Berlusconi told reporters in Brussels. But he quickly added that Italy is "dealing with an international problem. It's not a problem that a country that's present (in Afghanistan) can take on



Italian army officers surround relatives of deceased soldier Roberto Valente in Naples Thursday.

"We are all convinced it's best for everybody to get out soon."

Silvio Berlusconi

by itself, irrevocably. That would betray the agreement and trust with the other countries" in the mission.

"We're obviously anxious to bring our boys home as soon as possible," he said.

Italy has about 2,800 soldiers in Afghanistan. Thursday's victims, part of a contingent deployed in Kabul, bring to 20 the number of Italian troops who have died in Afghanistan, according to the Defence Ministry.

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Libel law to be revised for web?

INTERNET Britain's government has outlined plans to update its laws on libel and defamation to account for articles published over the Internet. Parts of the current law on defamation date from the 1840s and allows a claim every time a libel is published. That means someone could claim for libel every time a Web page is accessed. The government has asked lawyers, media organizations and regulators to comment on a consultation document published Wednesday that suggests changing the law so that only one legal action can be brought against defamatory material.

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Mexican officials prepare for worst

H1N1 Mexico could see up to five million cases of swine flu during this winter's flu season, a higher projection than officials had previously given, the health secretary said Thursday. Jose Angel Cordova said that in the worst-case scenario, deaths could reach 2,000. Cordova told Televisa TV on Thursday that officials have seen a resurgence of the flu that first hit in April and made Mexico Ground Zero for the worldwide epidemic.

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U.S. households report wealth increase

Americans' wealth rose this spring for the first time in nearly two years, with stocks and home values gaining as the recession faded. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Paris is buzzing

In the romantic city of lights, the bees are downright busy.

Common sense says it is better to keep hives of stinging insects in the countryside, away from city centres packed with people. Yet on storied rooftops and public gardens in the urban jungle of Paris, the bee business is thriving.

Bees are disappearing from fields across France and elsewhere in the world, victims of a decline in number because of loss of habitat compounded by a recent mysterious catastrophe variously blamed on disease, parasites and pesticides. The most re-

Urban harvest

• In Paris, each beehive produces a minimum of 50 to 60 kilograms of honey per harvest, while their apiary counterparts in the French countryside only yield 10 to 20 kilograms

cent science research points to a combination of interacting diseases for new collapses of bee colonies.

But in the heart of the French capital, Nicolas Geant is preparing to sell off his honey. It comes from hives on the edges of the soaring glass roof of

the Grand Palais exhibition hall, just off the Champs-Élysées.

The Luxembourg Gardens' hives alone produce more than half a tonne of honey per harvest. It is sold to the public during the last weekend in September, and the income funds beekeeping classes and the facilities.

Urban beekeeping isn't just a Paris thing. Berlin, London, Tokyo and Washington, D.C., are among beekeeping cities. New York City on the other hand, lists bees as "venomous insects," and beekeeping is punishable by a \$2,000 US fine.

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News in brief

FACEBOOK A group of prison guards dubbed the Facebook Five has gone to an Australian court to fight for the right to complain about their boss on the Internet. The case has stirred debate in Australia about whether writing on social networking sites amounts to a chat between friends or a

form of publishing.

SCHOOL ATTACK An 18-year-old student armed with an axe attacked students at his high school in southern Germany yesterday, wounding nine pupils, police said. The alleged attacker, who was arrested, was also injured at Carolinum High School in the Bavarian

town of Ansbach, said a police spokeswoman. In addition to the axe, the student was carrying flammable devices, she said. All the 700 students at the school were brought to safety, she said. The incident was the second attack on a school in Germany this year.

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Nothing simple about gun laws



Wendy Cukier

Recently, in a pre-election speech, Prime Minister Stephen Harper told a group in a closed meeting that he needed a majority so his government could dismantle the firearms registry and focus on "the criminals," not "law-abiding gun owners." If only it were that simple. Without infor-

mation about who owns guns and the guns they own there is no way to keep them from dangerous people.

For women around the world, the greatest risk comes from their intimate partners. Fully, 85 per cent of women murdered in Canada are killed by their spouse or partner. Most who are shot are killed with legally owned firearms. Gun violence is not just an urban phenomenon — the rate of women killed with guns is higher in rural areas because there

are more firearms. Murders are only the tip of the iceberg — for every woman killed, many more are injured or threatened.

Four separate domestic violence inquiries recommended licensing of all gun owners and registration of all firearms. Currently, licensed gun owners are screened for risk factors. Registration helps enforce licensing and also makes it easier for the police to remove firearms when there is a risk. Across Canada, police refer to the registry 10,000 times each

day and routinely check for the presence of firearms on domestic violence calls, and so do other front-line workers. Everyone should remember: "Ask the question. Save a life. Are there guns?"

Murders of women with guns have plummeted. In 1991, the year Kim Campbell's firearms law was introduced, 85 women were shot and killed in Canada, (0.3 per 100,000). By 2005, this had fallen by well more than 50 per cent to 32 women (0.09 per 100,000). Murders without

guns did not decrease as dramatically.

Canada's law has been heralded worldwide as a model for addressing armed violence against women. And the United Nations has gone so far as to suggest that states that do not adequately regulate firearms fail to meet their obligations under international law particularly with respect to the safety of women and children. The global campaign to end armed violence against women, launched by NGOs around the world, under-

scores the importance of regulating firearms to protect women. In Canada, we have made significant progress since the 1989 Montreal massacre focused attention of the problem of violence against women.

We should be moving forward, not backwards. As recent tragedies have shown, all too painfully, there is much more that must be done.

Wendy Cukier is the associate dean of the Ted Rogers School of Management at Ryerson University, and the founder of Ryerson's Diversity Institute.

Views

Another promise gone by the wayside



Stephen Kimber

Urban Compass

Stephen McNeil was right. And Darrell Dexter was wrong.

During the last provincial election campaign, then-opposition NDP leader Dexter made a boy scout solemn promise that, if elected, his government would balance the province's books next year. Cross his heart. Really...

McNeil, the then-new leader of the nowhere-to-go-but-up Liberal party, countered — more or less — that that was a dumb-as-dirt promise to make.

The economic world, he pointed out, was still teetering on the edge of who knew what or when.

Worse, Rodney MacDonald's incumbent Tory government was playing so many peek-a-boo shell games with the Nova Scotia treasury you couldn't trust anything it said. You couldn't know if you could balance the books without seeing them.

Dexter's dogged insistence that he could/would live within whatever our means were stemmed partly from his personal history. He comes from a rural Nova Scotia pay-as-you-go culture in which thrift is simple survival necessity.

But his balanced-books promise, of course, was also a partly carefully calibrated political calculation. What better way to undermine his opponents' "risky NDP," "spend-and-tax socialists" and "wild-eyed radical hordes" at-

tacks than to invoke the godly ghost of NDP icon Tommy Douglas — he was premier of Saskatchewan for 17 years and never once ran a deficit, after all — and promise to be just like Tommy?

Dexter convinced voters of his sincerity, largely because he was.

But that doesn't make him right.

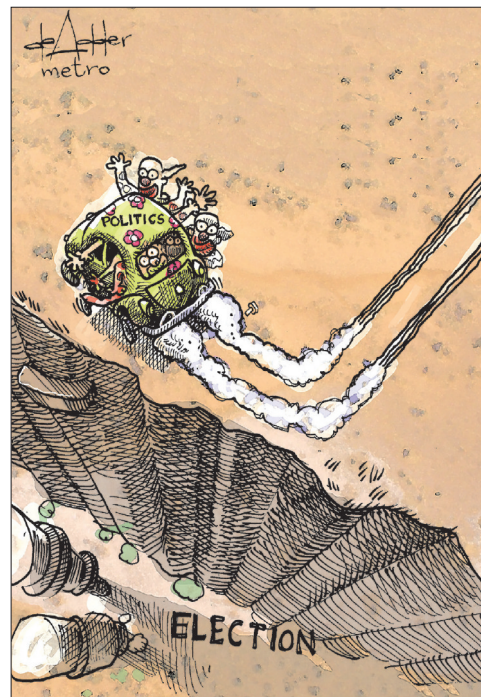
All you need to do is look at the current state of the province's finances. Even discounting the NDP's disingenuous trick of front-end loading expenses onto this year's budget to make the numbers look better next year, the actual numbers are still awful. Trying to balance the books at this point in our history is wrong-headed, perhaps even dangerously so.

Dexter's government created its own get-out-of-jail-free card in the guise of a blue-ribbon outside economic advisory panel, which is already publicly telling him to rethink his no-deficit-never mantra.

Following its advice would have political costs, of course. McNeil will be able to gloat that he was right all along — which he was — and still be able to attack Dexter for breaking his word.

But as bad as that might be for Dexter politically, it pales in comparison to the economic costs if Dexter persists with a promise he shouldn't have made in the first place. Suck it up, Darrell.

Stephen Kimber, the Rogers Communications Chair in Journalism at the University of Kings College, is the author of eight books.



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Facebook eyes Twitter's turf

Twitter is still very much the small fry in the world of social networking, with an estimated 18 million global users compared to Facebook's 300 million.

But Facebook is taking notice. In fact, the social networking behemoth recently made a number of changes that appear aimed at directly competing with Twitter. That includes a change to the site's news feed earlier this year so it reads as a series of updates from users' friends. More recently, Facebook introduced a "Lite" version of its website that highlights only the news feed, making the service more Twitter-like.

So, why is Facebook so worried? Twitter is currently enjoying the sort of

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explosive growth that Facebook did just a year ago. Led by 25-year-old founder and CEO Mark Zuckerberg, Facebook is no doubt aware that the social networking space is rapidly evolving, and that their site may not stay popular forever. Twitter also has something Facebook covets: a growing following of businesspeople keen to make Twitter part of their marketing arsenals.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

France **It's the real thing**

French milk farmer Jean Baptiste Martinon, unseen, hands a bottle he filled with milk to a woman as he gives away milk for free in La Bastide Clairence, France Thursday. The European Commission said it would take extra steps to curb sinking dairy prices.

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Feds order CRTC to hold hearings on TV fee fight

FEES The federal government has ordered the CRTC to hold more hearings and report on the request by TV networks to charge cable and satellite companies for using their local signals.

This fee-for-carriage system is a bone of contention between the networks and the distribution systems.

The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission last year held hearings on the networks demand for fee-for-carriage and turned them down. Canadian Heritage Minister James Moore said the cabinet wants the broadcast regulator to hold new hearings and produce a formal report on the implications of such a system.

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Business in brief

INFLATION Canada's annual inflation rate remained in negative territory in August for the third consecutive month as low gasoline and energy costs dragged the index down. Statistics Canada said the annual rate of inflation was a negative 0.8 per cent last month. That compares with the July reading of minus 0.9 per cent, Canada's lowest inflation rate in 56 years.

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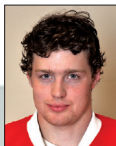
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JUNIOR AGE: 20
HOMETOWN:
Ottawa.
MEASUREMENTS:
5-11/187
LAST SEASON:
Halifax (QMJHL)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
66	9	16	25	65	

11 Jordan Costello

JUNIOR AGE: 18
HOMETOWN:
Summerside, P.E.I.
MEASUREMENTS:
5-11/189
LAST SEASON:
Cornwall (midget)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
30	15	22	37	48	

12 Matthew Stoddard

JUNIOR AGE: 19
HOMETOWN:
Porters Lake
MEASUREMENTS:
6-0/190
LAST SEASON:
Saint John (QMJHL)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
41	1	1	2	30	

2 Garrett Clarke

JUNIOR AGE: 17
HOMETOWN:
Moncton, N.B.
MEASUREMENTS:
6-0/198
LAST SEASON:
Lewiston (QMJHL)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
46	6	3	9	86	

5 Sawyer Hannay

JUNIOR AGE: 17
HOMETOWN:
Moncton, N.B.
MEASUREMENTS:
6-4/190
LAST SEASON:
Moncton (midget)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
34	5	17	22	74	

14 Tomas Knotek

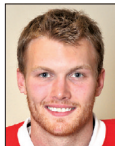
JUNIOR AGE: 19
HOMETOWN:
Kladno, Czech Rep.
MEASUREMENTS:
6-1/171
LAST SEASON:
Halifax (QMJHL)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
52	20	29	49	18	

16 Travis Randell

JUNIOR AGE: 18
HOMETOWN:
Twillingate, N.L.
MEASUREMENTS:
5-11/190
LAST SEASON:
Halifax (QMJHL)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
66	9	15	24	18	

19 Carl Gelinas

JUNIOR AGE: 17
HOMETOWN:
Shawinigan, Que.
MEASUREMENTS:
5-11/171
LAST SEASON:
Trois-Rivieres (midget)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
40	13	24	37	61	

6 Alex MacDonald

JUNIOR AGE: 18
HOMETOWN:
Moncton, N.B.
MEASUREMENTS:
6-4/185
LAST SEASON:
Lewiston (QMJHL)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
49	0	5	5	26	

8 Spencer Metcalfe

JUNIOR AGE: 19
HOMETOWN:
Toronto
MEASUREMENTS:
6-0/192
LAST SEASON:
Gatineau (QMJHL)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
25	1	2	3	50	

21 Gabriel Desjardins

JUNIOR AGE: 17
HOMETOWN:
Montreal
MEASUREMENTS:
6-0/197
LAST SEASON:
Halifax (QMJHL)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
60	13	12	25	35	

22 Gerrad Grant

JUNIOR AGE: 19
HOMETOWN:
Halifax
MEASUREMENTS:
5-11/168
LAST SEASON:
Halifax (QMJHL)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
64	13	11	24	27	

23 Jessyko Bernard

JUNIOR AGE: 18
HOMETOWN:
Moncton
MEASUREMENTS:
6-2/215
LAST SEASON:
Halifax (QMJHL)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
57	14	12	26	33	

10 Konrad Abeltshauser

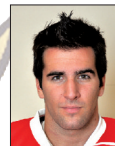
JUNIOR AGE: 17
HOMETOWN:
Bad Tölz, Germany
MEASUREMENTS:
6-3/198
LAST SEASON:
Bad Tölz (German Jr.)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
36	16	28	44	26	

20 Alexandre Brunet

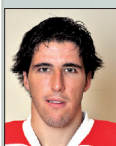
JUNIOR AGE: 20
HOMETOWN:
Laval, Que.
MEASUREMENTS:
5-10/197
LAST SEASON:
Rimouski (QMJHL)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
68	2	12	14	38	

26 Charles Bety

JUNIOR AGE: 19
HOMETOWN:
Bernard-de-Beauce, Que.
MEASUREMENTS:
5-11/191
LAST SEASON:
Halifax (QMJHL)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
59	14	11	25	55	

27 Alex Lemieux

JUNIOR AGE: 17
HOMETOWN:
Longueuil, Que.
MEASUREMENTS:
6-0/180
LAST SEASON:
C.C. Lemoyne (midget)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
38	10	18	28	48	

43 Guillaume Pelletier

JUNIOR AGE: 18
HOMETOWN:
Notre-Dame-du-Lac, Que.
MEASUREMENTS:
6-2/186
LAST SEASON:
Rimouski/Halifax.



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
34	3	3	6	15	

44 Steve Gillard

JUNIOR AGE: 17
HOMETOWN:
St. John's, N.L.
MEASUREMENTS:
5-9/182
LAST SEASON:
St. John's (midget)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
21	4	10	14	24	

55 Pascal Amyot

JUNIOR AGE: 19
HOMETOWN:
Ste-Foy, Que.
MEASUREMENTS:
6-4/216
LAST SEASON:
Saint John/Halifax



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
65	6	18	24	28	

79 Brent Andrews

JUNIOR AGE: 16
HOMETOWN:
Hunter River, P.E.I.
MEASUREMENTS:
6-1/197
LAST SEASON:
Cornwall (midget)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
30	12	20	32	18	

89 Yuri Cheremetiev

JUNIOR AGE: 20
HOMETOWN:
Moscow
MEASUREMENTS:
6-0/194
LAST SEASON:
Halifax (QMJHL).

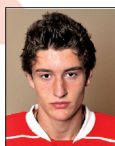


LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM	
65	22	27	49	39	

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30 Mathieu Corbeil

JUNIOR AGE: 18
HOMETOWN:
Montreal
MEASUREMENTS:
6-6/192
LAST SEASON:
Halifax (QMJHL)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Record	Shutouts	GAA	Save%	
24	3-11-3	0	4.33	.876	

31 Joel Grondin

JUNIOR AGE: 17
HOMETOWN:
Port-Cartier, Que.
MEASUREMENTS:
6-0/198
LAST SEASON:
Notre Dame (midget)



LAST SEASON'S STATISTICS					
Games	Record	Shutouts	GAA	Save%	
31	12-13-2	0	3.38	.879	

Staff

Bobby Smith



ROLE: Owner
YEAR: Seventh
HOMETOWN:
Ottawa
BIO: Played 1,077 NHL games ... Won a Stanley Cup with the Montreal Canadiens in 1993 ... Former NHL general manager with Phoenix Coyotes.

Cam Russell



ROLE: Head coach and general manager
YEAR: Fourth as head coach/first full season as GM.
HOMETOWN:
Cole Harbour.
BIO: Played 396 games in the NHL as a defenceman, primarily with the Chicago Blackhawks ... Started his playing career in the Q with Hull.

Other Mooseheads staff

Other hockey operations staff
• Associate coach: Chris Donnelly
• Assistant coach: Jeff MacLeod
• Assistant coach: Jason Troini
• Goaltending coach: Brad McCharles
• Athletic therapist: Brian Morrison
• Equipment manager: Ian Cox
• Chief scout, Atlantic Canada: Allie

MacDonald
• Chief scout, U.S.A.: Chris Hamel
• Nova Scotia scout: Bill MacLean
• Atlantic scout: Robert MacDonald
• Head scout/Chief Quebec scout: Jean-Marc Blouin
• Newfoundland scout: Tony Cuomo

The Halifax Lions opened the Maritime Junior A Hockey League season with a loss last night at the Forum. The Lions scored all of their goals in the third period but fell 4-3 to the Campbellton Tigers. The Lions are back in action Friday when they visit the Bridgewater Lumberjacks. **METRO HALIFAX**

Sports

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Field of Play

Scott Russell

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Here's hoping Theoren Fleury makes it back to the NHL. We could all use an inspirational story right about now.

"There are no expectations from you or me." That's what Fleury told the media in Calgary.

Thank goodness, because that means something out of the ordinary might happen. Heaven knows we need deliverance from the dreary monotony of the Phoenix Coyotes courtroom saga and the endless parade of free agents who have

signed huge contracts to play for teams they have no particular loyalty to.

Fleury's chance to resurrect a career cut short by drug and alcohol abuse marks the possibility that sport still has room for hope and dreams. Maybe this 41-year-old former champion is the right man to enlighten us.

Being only five-foot-six, he was told he'd never make an impact, but he scored 455 goals and 1,088 points in the NHL while winning a Stanley Cup and Olympic gold. On a purely visceral level, Fleury personified excitement.

He could skate and shoot and rough it up ... he was oh, so dynamic and the kind of guy you rooted for.

He was a little big man who made things happen every time he launched himself over the boards.

We shouldn't dismiss

Fleury's desire to return to the game he loves. If we do, we might be turning our backs on the redemptive power of sport.

It happened with Eric Lamaze. A boy wonder show jumper who twice was banned from the Olympics for substance abuse, he hung in there and won a gold medal at the 2008 Games. He's still at the top of his game.

Maybe it's because like Theoren Fleury, Eric Lamaze is a human being who has overcome a tragic flaw. Perhaps that's why Fleury's chance is so important now.

If he makes good, Fleury could prove that sport still loves long shots and that every once in awhile, the unexpected does happen.

Scott Russell is the Host of CBC Sports Weekend seen Saturday afternoons. He has covered professional and amateur sports including nine Olympic games and numerous world championships.

Sports in brief

NHL Newcomers Scott Gomez and Mike Cammalleri scored as the Montreal Canadiens opened their NHL pre-season schedule with a 3-2 victory over the Florida Panthers

Tennis Thursday night. Canada's Aleksandra Wozniak is off to the quarter-finals of the \$220,000 Bell Challenge after eliminating Regina Kulikova of Russia

Baseball Thursday. The tournament third seed from Blainville, Que., advanced with a 6-2, 7-5 win over Kulikova in the second round.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

NBA refs face lockout

The lead negotiator and spokesman for the NBA's referees union said Thursday a lockout appears "imminent and unavoidable" following the latest breakdown in talks. Without a new deal, replacement officials will be used when pre-season play opens Oct. 1. The NBA last began a season without its regular referees in 1995-96, when the calibre of officiating was roundly criticized.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Fleury offers inspiring story

Dry are champions

MATTHEW WUEST
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Dartmouth Moosehead Dry isn't over the hill. The Nova Scotia Senior Baseball League club is king of it — still.

The Dry edged the defending champion Halifax Pelham Molson Canadians 4-3 last night at Mainland Common in Game 4 of the best-of-seven NSSBL final to capture the 15th title in the franchise's 20 years of existence. Although Dartmouth's core players are older veterans who have been around for two decades, the sweep left no doubt they're still this province's team to beat.

"Fifteenth championship, that's something special," said Dry's Joel Irvine, who has been around since the first title in 1990. "Winning championships never gets old. That's what we do here ... A lot of people have whispered behind our backs (about being too old), maybe not to our faces, but we answered the bell."

Dartmouth rode strong pitching from Shain Beaudreau to victory. The 19-year-old started just his sec-



Dartmouth Moosehead Dry catcher Randy Stewart fires to first to throw out a Halifax Pelham Canadians player during the second inning of last night's Nova Scotia Senior Baseball League playoff game at the Mainland Common.

ond game of the season but went the distance in a sensational four-hitter.

Dartmouth trailed 3-2 entering the seventh inning but scored twice, getting the winning run from Dan Comeau when Colin Johnson was struck by a pitch with the bases loaded.

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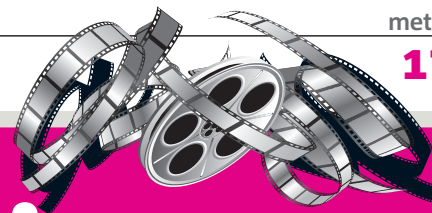
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Marvellous!

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Steven Soderbergh's *The Informant!* is based on a true story and rather serious book, but in the director's hands, it suddenly turns into a wacky corporate farce. Matt Damon — and an 30 extra pounds of him — offers a marvellously eccentric performance.

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Method in Matt-ness

The Informant!

Director: Steven Soderbergh

Stars: Matt Damon, Scott Bakula, Melanie Lynskey

Classification: 14

Rating: ●●●●●

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

Steven Soderbergh's *The Informant!* is a strange beast indeed. The film is based on a true story and rather serious book, but in the unpredictable director's hands he's turned it into a wacky corporate farce.

A deliberately nostalgic score and almost psychedelic period credits lend the film the style of a '60s comedy, even though the movie

takes place in the 1990s. It's a very odd combination of style (both comedic and cinematic) and subject matter that probably shouldn't work, yet somehow does.

Matt Damon stars as Mark Whitacre, a vice-president of ADM, a fortune 500 company. The perpetually paranoid Whitacre freaks out when the FBI come to the office to discuss an unrelated case.

Without prompting, he alerts the FBI to a price fixing scandal and goes undercover for 2.5 years to expose his own company.

It's all very odd and silly, but takes an unexpected turn when the FBI learns that Whitacre has been embezzling money from ADM the entire time he was exposing them. The



Matt Damon added an extra 30 pounds to play his role of corporate whistleblower in *The Informant!*.

synopsis may sound a little dry, but played as a bizarre character comedy, it's quite entertaining.

Especially since Soderbergh carefully holds back key information until the last possible moment, forcing his audience to reeval-

uate everything they've seen every 30 minutes.

Playing like a slapstick rendition of Michael Mann's *The Insider*, this is a truly bizarre and unique movie held together by one of the finest performances of Damon's career.

Sporting an awkward mustache, a bad toupee, and an extra 30 pounds,

Damon doesn't resemble a movie star at all and any charisma he has is concealed behind nervous ticks and bi-polar ramblings. It's a wonderfully eccentric performance that embodies the odd style of the film as a whole.

Though difficult to imagine how big this movie's audience will be, you've

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Little happening in Love**Love Happens**

Director: Brandon Camp
Stars: Aaron Eckhart, Jennifer Aniston
Classification: PG
Rating: **

IAN GORMELY
for Metro Canada



REVIEW Romantic-comedies tend to be the most formulaic film genre — two people meet, they're driven apart by a misunderstanding, but overcome life's complications through the power of love. The key to making a successful rom-com is having fun with the formula.

Unfortunately, fun is one of the many things missing from Love Happens, along with both romance and comedy.

Aaron Eckhart plays Burke Ryan, a motivational speaker whose book A-Okay, and requisite self-help seminars help people overcome the death of loved ones. His dirty little secret though is that de-

spite all his proselytizing in hotel meeting rooms, he has yet to get over the death of his own wife.

Enter Jennifer Aniston, whose flower shop supplies the hotel where Ryan is staying. Once Eckhart's character opens up about his emotionally scarred past, Aniston agrees to help him come to terms with his wife's death. Naturally, sparks fly as Eckhart begins to shun his business responsibilities in order to spend more time with Aniston.

Eckhart's Burke Ryan closely mirrors the one he played in Thank You For Smoking. But where that character's smarmy routine was played for smart satire, Ryan is incredibly earnest. Even a dynamite comedic supporting cast, including Martin Sheen, Dan Fogler and Judy Greer, are blunted by poor writing.

Far from hilarious or romantic, Love Happens is nothing but cheap melodrama.

• For Love Happens photos, a trailer and screen times, visit metronews.ca/movies

Fox sizzling in limp Body**Jennifer's Body**

Director: Karyn Kusama
Stars: Megan Fox, Amanda Seyfried
Classification: 14
Rating: **

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada



REVIEW Heavily hyped as both a hot vehicle for hormone teaser-du-jour Megan Fox, and as the second coming of Oscar-winning Juno screenwriter Diablo Cody, Jennifer's Body comes with built-in baggage and unrealistic expectations.

The film (directed by Thirteen's Karyn Kusama) stars Fox as the titular Jennifer, a narcissistic teen temptress who, after a rock concert goes seriously awry, shows up drooling blood and hungering for human flesh.

This gives her mousy best friend Needy (Amanda Seyfried) cause for concern



Megan Fox plays a narcissistic teen temptress with a craving for human flesh in Jennifer's Body, written by Diablo Cody.

as, every month, Jennifer must feed on horny classmates in order to maintain her supernatural sheen.

Reportedly inspired by Sam Raimi's Evil Dead movies, with a heavy dose of Carrie thrown in for good measure, Jennifer's

Body would squeak by as B-grade horror comedy but there's a few things about it that really bug me.

First of all, claims that the film is pioneering a sort of satire about the horrors of high school and the terrors of being a teenage

girl are wrong. Michael Lehman's still brilliant Heathers got there first, and the Canadian werewolf classic Ginger Snaps said the same things with much more ferocity.

The chief offender here however is Cody herself. While her heavily stylized teen-speak worked wonders under Jason Reitman's expert direction in the magnificent Juno, here it's both distracting, obnoxious, self-satisfied and even smug. Every character talks like they're reading from a modern slang book that's already treading the line of being dated.

On the plus side, there's buckets of sloppy gore and really, Fox is fantastic. The girl can act, she's a presence and whether she's vomiting black blood, engaging in a lesbian kiss or being driven to her own doom, she's never less than magnetic on screen.

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Music

Sean Kingston stays positive

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Sean Kingston earned the right to sing the teen angst blues the hard way.

He doesn't find inspiration in lightweight situations such as getting dumped. No, try living on Kingston, Jamaica's mean streets at age 11 after your mother and sister have been hauled off to prison.

You'd think this kind of experience would breed an angry young rapper. Instead, the 19-year-old vocalist, songwriter and producer is making a meteoric career out of upbeat, lively, positive music.

"I was very young and angry. I was fortunate to have people around me, who grounded me and made me see there would be a better day coming. But it was hard and I remember it like it was yesterday. For four years every day was a struggle," says Kingston, on the line from management HQ where he's "doing things

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Sean Kingston

for the tour"

That'd be the one which brings him to The Government Friday in support of sophomore album *Tomorrow*, as part of an 11-city jaunt. The album's already creating a Web stir on account of its unique promotional component. The CD booklet that comes with *Tomorrow* (due out next Tuesday), contains a special image fans can hold up to their computers' webcams to launch an "augmented reality" karaoke session on Kingston's website.

It allows fans to use their computer's video camera to record themselves singing *Fire Burning*, along with an animated version of Kingston called Lil Sean. Lil Sean is superimposed on existing video formatted to make it seem he

pops out of the screen, as if it's in 3-D. It even allows for choreographing of his dance moves. Fans can post their vids to a social networking site, or to seankingston.com, which has a section for voting on favourites. So far as we know, Kingston's the first artist to incorporate this kind of interaction on an album but he modestly offers it's no big thing, just a kid at play.

"I was thinking about putting in some cool thing for people to have fun with. I was in the studio one day when I came up with the idea. We talked about it and turned out we could do it and didn't cost all that much. I can't wait for the fans to start working it."

Work it they will, as

Sean Kingston is touring in support of sophomore disc *Tomorrow*.

Kingston has a fan base that's bought more than six million digital singles,

4.5 million ringtones and over one million albums.

The tunes on *Tomorrow*

are all about Kingston's trademark meld of reggae-flavoured vocals with grabby, melodic pop hooks. Standout tracks include *Fire Burning*, the tropical swing of *Island Queen* and the grownup sensuality of *Wrap U Around Me*; Kingston's already a name in production circles, currently working on projects for Rihanna among others. For his own album, he chose to step back from the production, leaving it up to mega names like Wyclef Jean, Timbaland and original mentor, J.R. Rotem, to give the self-penned tunes their proper settings.

Once the work day is done, there are ATVs to ride, mucho video gaming and beach hanging out with buds in store.

"I don't drink or do drugs and I don't go to clubs much. I'm an outdoors kind of guy, that's the kind of stuff I like to do, which is why I love Miami. That, and the music vibe. The sound is well mixed up down here. I love that."

Pearl Jam, Alice In Chains highlight fall music forecast

SoundCheck

Alan Cross

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With the snow blowers are on display in the hardware store and the Christmas decorations already on sale at the mall, it's time to review some of the big releases for the all-important, make-or-break fourth quar-

ter for the music business.

Pearl Jam: Backspacer (Sunday): A short (36 minute), sharp blast of some of their best material in years. We get it on Sunday instead of the usual Tuesday because of the exclusive deal the band worked out with Target stores in the U.S.

Alice in Chains: (Sept 29): Outside of AC/DC, Deep Purple and Van Halen (the v2.0 Van Hagar years, not the Gary Cherone era), it's tough for a band to re-emerge with a new lead singer. William DuVall isn't Layne Staley, but he's close. This could turn into

a major surprise this fall.

Gossip: Music for Men (Oct 6): I spent some time with singer Beth Ditto in the U.K. earlier this month and I found her fun, friendly and engaging. Producer Rick Rubin has taken this

Arkansas-by-way-of-Washington-State band and turned them into a good lit-

tle pop group.

Kraftwerk: The Catalogue (Oct 6): As you're paying off your Beatles box sets, make sure there's room on the credit card for this eight-disc collection of remasters. Licensing issues have made it tough to get all these releases, so the box is the way to go.

Wolfmother: Cosmic Egg (Oct 13): Singer An-

Andrew Stockdale

drew Stockdale fired the other two guys in the band and hired on some new help. Zeppelin, Deep Purple and Sabbath fans will be pleased.

Weezer: Raditude (Oct 27): Continuing with the fun — some may say goofy — vibe of *The Red Album*, Rivers Cuomo told me that the band is working on some innovative things to promote the record. Several of the songs were road-tested when the band opened for Blink 182 this summer.

U2: The Unforgettable Fire (Oct 27): Bono and Co. pick up with their expand-

ed reissues with their fourth album from 1984. It'll come in four forms (including vinyl) with many b-sides, alternate versions, unreleased tracks and rarities. From what I've seen, these editions will put the first three reissues to shame.

Creed: Full Circle (Oct 27): I once worked with a guy who had a t-shirt that read "Even God Hates Creed." How will the world react to a resurrected Scott Stapp?

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Music

Canadian Idol judge moves on

Sass Jordan finds inspiration in the night

ROB MCMAHON
for Metro Canada



As a touring artist, Sass Jordan watches days pass in a blur of travel. It's the nights, and their performances and motel rooms that become the one constant: The source of her memories.

From the haunting call to prayer of a Middle Eastern muezzin to the fuzzy state after a long night of partying, the singer and former Canadian Idol judge drew on her experiences of the hours between dusk and dawn when writing her new album.

"I'm not really a night owl at all," said Jordan, reached while preparing for tour. "(But) that's the most vulnerable time for humans — when our boy-gymnasts come out. During the day you are distracted, and in general don't have time to toss and turn and think."

But along with the worry and insomnia that can come once the sun has set, Jordan pointed to the creativity that happens in the dark. In Eastern meditation — which the Juno-winning singer practices — that time of the day is considered ripe with energy.

"Creation happens in the dark. Think of the beginning of life," she said. "That goes on in the dark, inside the body: well, unless they have a light switch in there I don't know about!"

Jordan channeled that



From Dusk 'til Dawn is the new album from former Canadian Idol judge Sass Jordan. Order it online at sassjordan.com.

creative energy into her new album, which she hopes echoes the sound of Southern California in the late '70s. Produced by her husband, Derek Sharp, arrangements range from upbeat, horn-spiked rockers like *Fell in Love Again* to the boot-stomping, guitar-picking Americana of *Matter of Time*.

While she missed living the '70s scene, Jordan caught it second-hand. After her breakthrough album *Rats*, she moved to L.A., soaking up the music and lifestyle there. While she said the city is rough, filled with the broken dreams of itinerants, the

glorious California sunshine warms the end of every tough night. Jordan said the magic of that time sparkles in songs like Tom Waits' *Ol '55*, which she covers on the new album.

"When I was a kid, growing up in the '70s, I used to love the Eagles. They did that song (*Ol '55*), and we covered it in (Montreal's Westmount) Park," she said. "As an adult in L.A., I remember driving into town from the high desert at 6 a.m., with the sun coming up, and hearing that tune. That's what the song's about: that experience, driving with Lady Luck. And I experienced it."

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Despite their split earlier this month, *Dancing with the Stars'* Karina Smirnoff and Maksim Chmerkovskiy are still on good terms. "We were friends for 14 years, before anything else. It will always remain this way," Smirnoff told People. **POPEATER.COM**

Television



Actor Chris O'Donnell and rapper LL Cool J play special agent partners in the NCIS spin-off *NCIS: Los Angeles*, which focuses on the Office of Special Projects.

Star-powered NCIS

O'Donnell and LL Cool J team up for spin-off

AMBER RAY
Metro World News

Chris O'Donnell and LL Cool J have something very heavy weighing on their minds.

As the stars of the new CBS drama *NCIS: Los Angeles*, neither is really concerned about leading a television series for the first time in their careers.

Critical reception of their NCIS spin-off about the Office of Special Projects, a team of covert operatives tasked with apprehending elusive criminals who pose a threat to national security, is probably the least of their worries. What's gnawing at the veteran film actor and seminal rapper is whether or not fans of the original series will enjoy the show.

How appropriate, then, for the pair to confess their unease in an old Spanish mission.

"My biggest concern, and I think for most of us, is to please the current NCIS fans first and foremost because there are very loyal fans and a huge following," says O'Donnell, who is sitting on the set of OSP head-

quarters, a converted mission, and plays Special Agent "G" Callen in the series.

"If new people tune into the show, that's great, but I feel more pressure to live up to their expectations than I do maybe to the network or the studio expectations, to be honest with you."

LL Cool J, who plays Callen's partner, Special Agent and ex-Navy Seal Sam Hanna, hopes fans of NCIS will tune in — particularly

because the original regularly makes the Top 10 in ratings — but isn't making predictions on the success of his show.

"I think the main thing for us is approaching (the show) with humility and being clear that nothing is guaranteed, that our job is to do the best work that we can," he says. "Obviously, we want to maintain the current NCIS fan base. We don't want to, you know, make them have an allergic reaction to what we are doing on screen."

NCIS: Los Angeles begins airing Tuesday night on Global

Last time on NCIS: Los Angeles ...

• NCIS: Los Angeles was launched as a spin-off during a two-part episode of NCIS last season. It concluded with L.A. lead Chris O'Donnell, who plays Special Agent "G" Callen, lying bloody on the sidewalk after being shot. The official series premiere picks up four months later, executive producer Shane Brennan explains.

"It's Callen's first day back on the job, and we see his scars," Brennan says. "We literally see his scars. And he rolls into this new venue (the Office of Special Projects headquarters seen in the NCIS episodes was compromised after Callen's shooting), and away we go from there."

AMBER RAY/
METRO WORLD NEWS

Cougartown actor praises co-star Cox

NEW SERIES Some jobs are harder than others. Nick Zano's latest television gig, on the new ABC comedy *Cougartown*, isn't one of them.

The series follows single mom Courtney Cox as she re-enters the dating life. Zano is the lucky stiff

who plays her boyfriend. "So that's been fun," he says nonchalantly. Working with Cox on her return to network comedy has been educational for the 31-year-old actor as well as surprisingly stress-free. "She's the nicest woman you could ever meet."

Of course, another creative force behind the show is Cox's husband, David Arquette, and playing intimate with one of the executive producer's wives can be a bit intimidating. Luckily, Arquette wasn't around for any of those scenes. "He was on the set for one day, but we were on location — and it was very PG."

• *Cougartown* premieres City tv on Wednesday night. Check local listings.

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A decade past Rushmore, Schwartzman hits his stride

"Can I do a flashback?" asks Jason Schwartzman.

The 29-year-old actor and musician is chatting over coffee, sitting in a Manhattan hotel lobby almost Zen-like, but full of questions and curiosity.

Schwartzman's storytelling is vibrant, abstract and often not chronological. And at this particular moment, everything seems to relate back to the past.

Schwartzman made his film debut 11 years ago in Wes Anderson's *Rushmore*

as Max Fisher, the spectacled, love-crazed, eminently intrepid teenage misfit — easily one of the most remarkable first stabs at movie acting.

"I can't express enough to you how bizarre that experience was," Schwartzman recalls. "It was like a drive-by shooting, but a positive one."

Playing such a particular part at a young age (he was a senior in high school) seemed just the kind of role that might be difficult to

grow out of. But since then, Schwartzman has made few missteps and given several strong performances.

He's played Louis XVI in *Marie Antoinette* (directed by his cousin, Sofia Coppola); he starred in David O. Russell's zany *I (Heart) Huckabees*; and he was one of the three travelling brothers in Anderson's *The Darjeeling Unlimited*.

But 2009 is shaping up to be especially good for Schwartzman. He played a memorable smarmy sup-

porting role in Judd Apatow's *Funny People* and he lends his voice to Anderson's animated *Fantastic Mr. Fox*, which comes out in November.

His highest-profile work, though, is starring in the new HBO series, *Bored to Death*. He plays a Brooklyn writer, Jonathan Ames, who after splitting up with his girlfriend (and reading a Raymond Chandler novel) decides to post a message on Craigslist offering his services as a private detective.



Jason Schwartzman stars in the new HBO series *Bored to Death*.

"The characters that I've been lucky enough to play I would say all want something really badly. I typically find that they're at make-or-

break moments," said Schwartzman. "I like people that are so close to falling apart in order to get it together." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



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Beyonce faces lawsuit

Superstar Beyonce has been hit with a trademark infringement lawsuit from bosses at clothing firm Abercrombie & Fitch over plans to release her own perfume using the name of her alter ego Sasha Fierce. **FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK**



Television

First gay couple on Newlywed Game

Star Trek's Takei and partner help break TV show boundaries

Even as states and jurisdictions made gay and lesbian marriages legal, The Newlywed Game has played it straight — until now.

The long-running game show, now on the GSN cable network, said Wednesday it will feature its first gay couple this season on a celebrity edition. George Takei, who played Mr. Sulu on Star Trek, will appear with his partner, Brad Altman.

They just celebrated their first anniversary after being married in Los Angeles last September, but they're nothing like the giggly young couples the game is known for. Takei and Altman have been together for 22 years.

"What we want is to display the normality and the joy of having a happy union," Takei said.

The Newlywed Game has been on TV off and on since

it premiered in prime-time on ABC in 1967, mostly with Bob Eubanks as host. Singer Carrie Wilson is now host of the show, which is in its second season on GSN and done well in the ratings for the network.

The show always teased and tested couples about how well they know each other, with the slightly lascivious Eubanks delighting in questions about "making whoopee."

It has since featured older couples, interracial couples and some who have lived together many years before marriage. Even long-ago contestants were retested as part of Oldyeds Game segments.

Kelly Goode, GSN's programming chief, said she couldn't speculate on why gay couples were never included in the past because GSN, the former Game Show Network, has only

been responsible for the show for two years. She said it was in the game's rules that the couple needed to have a legally-recognized marriage to play.

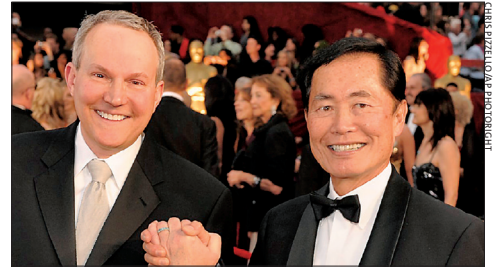
The change "made sense for GSN," Goode said. "It seems like the show has always reflected the times in terms of marriages depicted and this felt like the next

logical step."

Takei and Altman haven't taped their episode yet but expect to do so soon. GSN hopes to air in October.

The show is sprinkling a handful of celebrity players and their new spouses in this season, including Christopher Knight of The Brady Bunch.

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Star Trek actor George Takei, right, and partner Brad Altman will be The Newlywed Game's first gay couple participants.

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		7	7	7	ASN	The Road to Avonlea	Degrassi: TNG	TMZ (N)	Supernanny		Without a Trace	Comedy Now		
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		17	17	17	MM	Love Court (N)	My Date	Gossip Girl (N)		The Vampire Diaries		The 40-Year-Old Virgin *** (2005)		
		206	206	206	PIX	(6:30) Chasing Amy *** (1997)				A Lapse of Memory (1992, Drama)		Peggy Sue Got Married *** (1986)		
SATURDAY	prime time 9/10/09	31	31	31	ABC	(4:30) College Football	College Football	NewsCenter 5	Fall Preview	College Football	Texas Tech at Texas. (HDTV) (Live)			
		7	7	7	ASN	The Road to Avonlea	Double Identity-Look-alikes	Double Identity-Look-alikes	Double Identity-Look-alikes	Truth (2006)	Stephanie Zimbalist, Dean Cain, Thea Gill.	Whistler		
		11	11	11	CBC	National	Marketplace	2009 Hockeyville: The Game	Entertainment Tonight	Equestrian: CNI International.	Intelligence			
		32	32	32	CBS	College Football	renewed	Project Runway Canada	Project Runway Canada	CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	48 Hr. Mystery	
		6	6	6	CHIF	Top 10-Olympic Moments	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CTV News	
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SATURDAY	cable variety	16	16	16	A&E	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	CSI: NY (HDTV)		CSI: Miami "Darkroom"		CSI: Miami (HDTV)	CSI: Miami		
		70	70	70	APTN	Wings-Canada	Living, Dream	MYTV	Aboriginal Day	Music Speaks	First Nation	The Green Mile *** (1999, Drama)		
		37	37	37	BRVO	Arts & Minds	Bravo!Videos	Spectacle: Elvis	Star Portraits	Star Portraits	Books-Film	Y Tu Mama Tambien *** (2001)		
		49	49	49	COM	VIP	22 Minutes	Comedy Now (DVS)	Comedy Now (DVS)	Corner Gas	House Party	The Simpsons	South Park	Burned
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		34	34	34	HGTV	Holmes on Homes	Colin & Justin's Home Heist	Colin & Justin's Home Heist	SarahCottage	HGTV's Top	HGTV's Top	Makeover		
		46	46	46	HIST	Re-Inventors	Re-Inventors	Ultimate Engineering	Cities of the Underworld	Cities of the Underworld	Enemy of the State (1998, Action)			
		17	17	17	MM	The Vampire Diaries	The Vampire Diaries	The Vampire Diaries	The Vampire Diaries	The Vampire Diaries	Musicholic Countdown			
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SATURDAY	cable variety	39	39	39	SHOW	Pursuit-Happy.	About a Girl	The Guard (HDTV)	Love Sick: Secrets of a Sex Addict	Love Sick: Secrets of a Sex Addict	Pursuit-Happy.			
		40	40	40	SLICE	Til Debt-Part	Til Debt-Part	Real Housewives of Jersey	Real Housewives-Atlanta	Real Housewives-Atlanta	Runway			
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		22	22	22	W	Hwd 10 Best	Catch and Release ** (2007, Comedy-Drama)	Jennifer Garner	13 Going on 30 (2004, Romance-Comedy)					
		27	27	27	YTV	Kid vs. Kat	League-Evil	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Funniest Home Videos	Smallville	Survive This		
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		17	17	17	MM	So You Think You Can Dance Canada	Dance	Love Court	Video on Trial	Video on Trial	Lethal Weapon 3 *** (1992, Action)			
		206	206	206	PIX	Run Lola Run (7:45) Remo Williams: The Adventure Begins *** (1985, Action)								
SUNDAY	cable variety	39	39	39	SHOW	NCIS "Agent Alcott"	ReGenesis (HDTV)	The Party Never Stops (2007, Drama)	Sara Paxton.					
		40	40	40	SLICE	X-Weighted Dancer.	My Wardrobe	My Wardrobe	Tim Gunn's Guide to Style	Tori & Dean: Guide to Style	Re-Vamped			
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		27	27	27	YTV	Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over ** (2003, Adventure)		SpongeBob	H2O, Just Add	In Real Life	Survive This			

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Nick Jonas gets a piano

Nick Jonas was given a piano for his seventeenth birthday on Wednesday. The Jonas Brothers singer was delighted to be gifted the musical instrument as it brought back memories of writing one of the group's songs. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Going Out

Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

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The Emmys

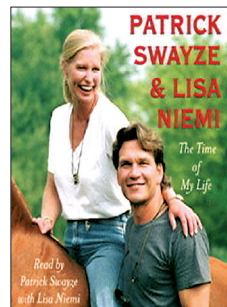
SHOW As expected, Tina Fey's 30 Rock dominates the comedy nominations with 22 nods this year while AMC's Mad Men leads the drama pack with 16 nods. Neil Patrick Harris will play host. Also on the cards is an appearance from Justin Timberlake. The awards gala airs Sunday on CBS and CTV.



2

Snugglies

FASHION These blankets with sleeves have been the butt of late-night TV jokes and hundreds of parodies on YouTube for some time. But style crime turned cool when the wraparound comforters debuted at New York Fashion Week a few days back. Now you want one for Christmas, don't you?



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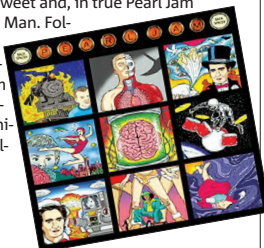
The Time of My Life: Patrick Swayze and Lisa Niemi

BOOK Once you're done watching Dirty Dancing and Ghost another dozen times, you can pick up this memoir from the departed star, which hits bookstores later this month. Co-written with wife Lisa Niemi, the book chronicles Swayze's battle with pancreatic cancer.

4

Backspacer: Pearl Jam

ALBUM It's short and sweet and, in true Pearl Jam fashion, sticks it to the Man. Following Radiohead's lead, the Seattle legends are releasing their ninth studio album on their own, without any meddling from a studio label. The initial reviews for the 36-minute album are positive, arguably the best the rockers have received since 1998's Yield.



5

Jennifer's Body

FILM Hollywood eye-candy Megan Fox works up a man-sized appetite — literally — for this Diablo Cody-penned teen-horror flick. In the film, the Transformers 2 star plays a cheerleader possessed by a demon who starts feeding off of the boys in her high school. Someone pass her the Ginger Snaps, quickly.

6

Curb Your Enthusiasm

TV Let the festus begin. Larry David's comedy show is not only returning (Sunday on HBO Canada) after a two-year hiatus but also tagging along the cast of Seinfeld for a season-long reunion. Jerry Seinfeld, Julia Louis-Dreyfus, Jason Alexander and Michael Richards are all expected to play themselves in the series. Yada yada yada to that.

7

Wizards World of Harry Potter

TRAVEL Hogwarts will come to life in sunny Florida with this new theme park opening in 2010 at Universal Orlando Resort. Rides include the Dragon Challenge, a roller coaster themed after the Triwizard Tournament, the family roller coaster Flight of the Hippogriff and the high-tech Harry Potter and The Forbidden Journey.

Mix of Six

29th annual Atlantic Film Festival

When: Through Sept. 26
Where: Various theatres around HRM

This popular film festival kicked off Thursday and has enjoys a stellar lineup of films over the next 10 days. For complete information on films and start times, go to atlanticfilm.com.

Halifax Mooseheads vs. Bathurst Titan

When: Friday, 7 p.m.
Where: Halifax Metro Centre
The Mooseheads will sport a new team and new uniform for their home opener to the 2009-10 Quebec Major Junior Hockey League season. Here's hoping they can pull out a few more wins than last season.

WWE Raw

When: Saturday, 8 p.m.
Where: Halifax Metro Centre
Raw stars like John Cena, Triple H and Randy Orton are scheduled to be in action as WWE returns to Halifax for the first time in five years. Tickets range in price from \$28.75 to \$74.

Soda Shoppe Gang

When: Friday, Saturday, 8 p.m.; Sunday, 2 p.m.
Where: Rebecca Cohn Auditorium
Time to take a trip down memory lane as this show titled Malt Shop Memories is a performance from the local group with proceeds going to various local charities. Tickets are \$26.

Busta Rhymes and Company

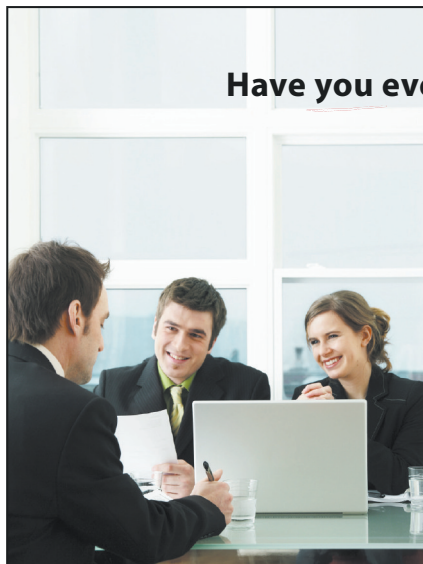
When: Saturday, 10 p.m.
Where: Cunard Centre
This rap legend will be joined on stage by Karl Wolf, Halifax's Jordan Crocher and other special guests. It's an all-ages show with a licensed area and tickets cost \$49.99.

3rd annual Halifax Duck Derby

When: Saturday, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Where: Bishop's Landing, Halifax waterfront
This event will see 10,000 rubber ducks race in the harbour in support of the Alzheimer Society of Nova Scotia. There are of other fun activities going on all day including a free KidzZone and a Kids Duck Costume Contest. Ducks can be adopted for \$10 each or \$25 for a flock of 3 ducks.

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Entertainment

Neil Patrick Harris ready for Emmys

If only one awards show host at a time holds the "it" title, then the current darling is Neil Patrick Harris.

Harris entered the big leagues with this year's Tony Awards, using his musical theatre skills and easy charm to win over the audience and critics. A phone call enlisting him as host of Sunday's Emmy Awards (8 p.m. EDT, CBS) followed — which leaves a certain movie ceremony for the hat trick.

"Tonys, Emmys, and then there's only one thing left — the Telemundo Awards," quipped Harris.

Harris, 36, who gained teenage fame in Doogie Howser, M.D. before moving onstage to Rent and other plays, stars in How I Met Your Mother and is a best-supporting actor nominee for the CBS comedy.

Emmy executive producer Don Mischer says he has the right man for the job, one who will prove a graceful and funny host and can be entertaining in "short pops."

"He's terrific with that," Mischer said. "And because Neil doesn't feel the need to come out and hit a home run every time he makes an appearance, that frees him up to have a more consistent presence in the show ... I think that keeps the energy of the show up."

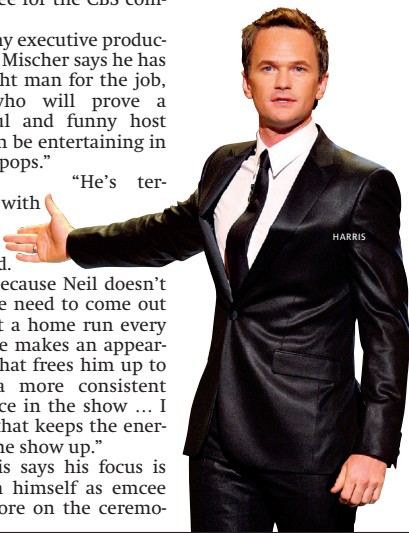
Harris says his focus is less on himself as emcee and more on the ceremony.

He asked to share producer duties for the 61st Annual Primetime Emmy Awards at the downtown Nokia Theatre.

"I didn't want to walk into a situation where I was handed a script not to my liking. I wanted the ability to have a say in the structuring and creation of the show," he said. "Maybe it's the wannabe director in me, but I was way more interested in how the show was structured and not as interested in how the host is doing."

Harris' hands-on approach appears sound. With him and fan-favourite musicals on board for the Tony ceremony, Broadway's big night posted a 19-per-cent increase over last year's show and drew its biggest audience in three years.

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Poetry part of Bright Star set

ADAM NAYMAN
for Metro Canada



Jane Campion's *Bright Star* is named for a poem by John Keats: The phrase describes the romantic master's incandescent regard for his beloved, Fanny

Brawne, with whom he shared a passionate correspondence before his death from tuberculosis at the age of 26.

The film is highlighted by the performance of Abbie Cornish, whose performance as Brawne is marked by a quiet but pal-

pable strength: She doesn't play her as a great man's muse, but rather, as a courageous young woman holding fast against familial and social pressures to break off her romance.

"I didn't know much about Keats or his work before we made the film," says Cornish.

"So I jumped online and started reading his poems and they just drew me in, because they're so beautiful. In fact, one of the best things about doing the film was that we had poetry readings, where the cast and crew would sit and read aloud together. Like we would all get together to discuss *Ode To A Nightingale* with wine and cheese."

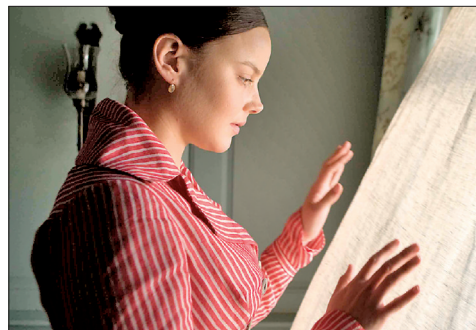
Although *Bright Star* is a

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film of intense and roiling emotions, Cornish's description of the shoot makes it sound positively idyllic. "She's always very inside whatever it is she's making," director Campion says Cornish; Campion's last film was the disastrously received thriller *In the Cut*. "As a director, Jane likes the set to feel like the scene, so if it's a quiet, intimate moment (in the film), the set reflects that — it's very calm and there aren't too many people around."

Cornish's next project sounds less idyllic: She's slated to star in *Watchmen* director Zack Snyder's up-



Abbie Cornish plays quiet but strong Fanny Brawne in *Bright Star*.

coming *Sucker Punch*.

"It's about girls trying to escape from a psychiatric ward in the '60s," says Cornish, "and it takes place in three different environments, or worlds."

In lieu of poetry study, her prep for the part entailed intense martial arts training. "It's great," she says, flexing her arm to

show off some newly developed muscles — a show of strength worthy of her *Bright Star* character.

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• *Bright Star* plays Friday, Sept. 18 at 9:30 p.m. at Oxford Theatre

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A tribute to Heath

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The AFF film *The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus* is destined to become best known as Heath Ledger's last movie.

The young actor passed away midway through production, but rather than scrap the film, director Terry Gilliam pressed on, replacing the Aussie actor with three famous faces.

"I just started calling friends of Heath," Gilliam said. "It's as simple as that. Johnny (Depp), Colin (Farrell) and Jude (Law) turned up. It was important that they were friends, because I wanted to keep it in the family. I wanted people who were close to him because, as Colin said when he was doing his part, he was channelling Heath part of the time, so Heath was very much still alive in some sense."

"I didn't know whether this would work until I got back to London. We were working on autopilot. Working because that's what we decided to do and we got back to London and I showed the first cut to the post-sound guy, who hadn't been involved in the process, and he just assumed it was written that way. I thought, 'It works.'"

It works not because Gilliam changed the script, but because of a quirk of

the original story — a mirror that acts as an entry to a magical world of imagination.

"Nothing was changed from the original script after Heath died," he said. "It was that lucky element of a magic mirror. Once you decide that faces could change as you go through the mirror, we were free. I'm simplifying it, but that's effectively what happened. There was some kind of movie god, and the problem with gods is that they're both evil and wondrous. There was one that got it made and one that punished us."

Gilliam sees the finished film as a tribute to Heath, both as an actor and a man with many friends who stepped in to complete the film. A credit where the director's name usually sits is a tribute to the late actor and the respect he earned.

"Contractually, it was supposed to be a Terry Gilliam Film," he said. "That's what the lawyers

said, but I said, 'No way it's going to be that. It's going to be a film from Heath Ledger and friends.' The cast sat around one night and that idea came up and I said, 'This is it. Perfect. That's how we do it.'"



The late Heath Ledger, left, stars in *The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus*, directed by Terry Gilliam.

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- The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus plays Saturday, Sept. 19 at 9:20 p.m. at Oxford Theatre

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'Bolshevik Bueller' no stretch for Baruchel

RICHARD CROUSE
for Metro Canada

Jay Baruchel, a self confessed "movie nerd," says his favourite movies are *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*, the French time turn-around film *Irréversible* ("They're neck and neck," he says.) followed by the über-violent *Battle Royale*.

Favourites though they may be, until now he hasn't used those movies as inspiration for any of the characters he's played in movies like *Million Dollar Baby*, *Knocked Up* or *Tropic Thunder*. He's not doing a riff on *Irréversible's* psy-

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chological drama or tripping off to Japan to make a movie about school violence; instead, he stayed home — in Montreal — and did a take on *Ferris Bueller*. Call it *Bolshevik Bueller*.

In *The Trotsky*, he plays a young man who is convinced he's the reincarnation of Leon Trotsky, and so tries to unionize his high school classmates.

"I talked to (director) Jacob (Tierney) and told him I was scared of playing a

Canadian actor Jay Baruchel plays Leon incarnate in *The Trotsky*.

character ten years younger than me, but then I came to the *Ferris* conclusion ... Leon is like *Ferris* in many ways: The way he affects change in other people's lives and goes to war against his principal. Also

there's the fact that there is the same age difference — Broderick was twenty-six when he played *Ferris* and I was twenty-six when I played Leon."

With the *Ferris* connection made, he says he didn't

have to do much prep to play the earnest Leon.

"I'm horribly earnest anyway and disgustingly genuine and even more so in high school when I was incredibly impassioned and prone to crying and punching stuff and throwing fits and getting angry."

Channelling *Ferris* and his younger self is one thing, but Baruchel also looked to another era for inspiration.

"Because he's such an odd bird, cut out of a different time period, he sticks out and that's why I made the decision to walk out of every scene strangely." It's an affected stride

that mimics Chaplin's Great Dictator. "Some people don't notice it," he says, "other people notice only that."

The walk is just one of the many "subtle little tiles in the mosaic that make up this weird guy," but in Baruchel's capable hands, he's not just a collection of tricks and mannerisms but a memorable character. Just like *Ferris*.

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- The Trotsky plays Saturday, Sept. 26 at 7 p.m. at Oxford Theatre

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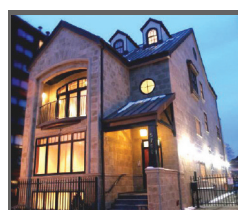
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Polytechnique honours massacre's victims

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada



The 1989 Montreal Massacre left an indelible scar on the Canadian consciousness that won't vanish anytime soon. When such an event touches a country so deeply, it's inevitable that a movie will be made about it.

It's all too rare for that a film about a true tragedy works as a piece of cinema while still honouring the memory of the victims. Fortunately, Denis Villeneuve's *Polytechnique* is one of those rare films.

Everyone involved in the

project was sensitive to the subject matter and ensured they weren't exploiting it in any way. The attitude started with producer and star Karine Vanasse.

"I initiated the project about four years ago when I was 21 for many different reasons that were probably unconscious at first," Vanasse says. "The fact that I'm the same age as most of the girls who died that day probably brought my attention to the events."

"When I met (some of the victims' family members) I realized that maybe there was a point of view of the tragedy that hadn't been told before: What the stu-

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dents had to go through."

The film examines the massacre's events through two students of École Polytechnique — where Marc Lépine fired on a classroom targeting female engineering students.

Vanasse quickly found support for the project as well as a director who was perfect for the material.

"Denis had been absent from feature films for many years ... and we discovered that he wanted to wait until he had grown up



Karine Vanasse stars in and produces *Polytechnique*.

some of them didn't want to continue talking about it, but ... They felt that their story finally had been told," said Vanasse.

Polytechnique might not offer a pleasant viewing experience, but it's certainly a rewarding one, she says. "It's difficult to take in, but I think it leaves you with something quite positive. People shouldn't be afraid of watching the film."

a bit so that he could say something more," she says.

The challenge of finding a director was nothing compared to approaching the survivors and victims'

families about the film. Fortunately, they seemed to recognize that the team's intentions were pure.

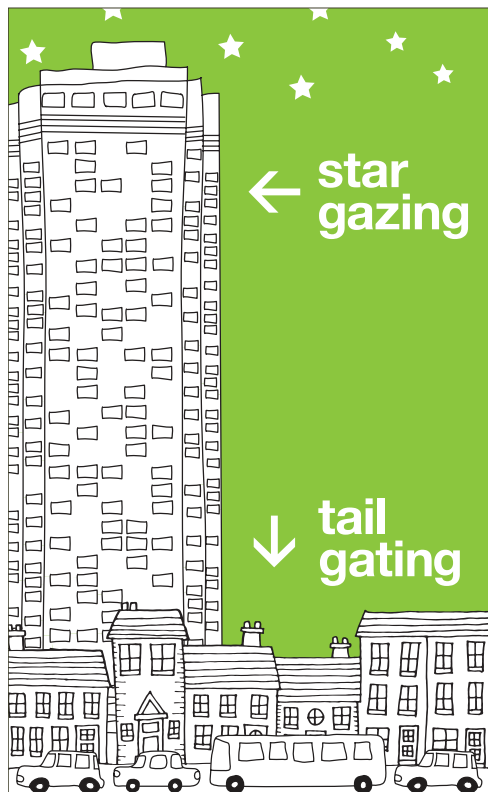
"Nobody was opposed to the film. At a certain point

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• *Polytechnique* plays Sunday, Sept. 20 at 9:20 p.m. at Park Lane

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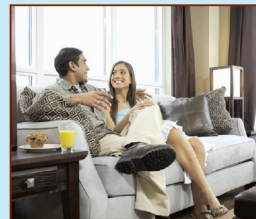
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Leelee Sobieski is expecting her first baby in December, the actress' rep confirms to Us Weekly. Sobieski and her fashion designer fiancé, Adam Kimmel, were engaged earlier this year. **METRO WORLD NEWS**

Celebrity Buzz

Lionel wonders: Why Sparrow?

PROUD BUT CONFUSED Lionel Richie is proud to be a grandfather again to daughter Nicole Richie's newborn second child, but he doesn't know why they decided to name the baby boy Sparrow.

"I have no idea where that came from," Richie told Fox News. "When I heard it, I thought it was my job just to go,

'Absolutely.' I will ask about Sparrow and she will have a story."

METRO WORLD NEWS



Avril and Deryck call it quits

IT'S OVER Looks like reports of trouble between Avril Lavigne and Deryck Whibley weren't exaggerated. The couple has split up after three years of marriage, according to Us Weekly.

"She dumped him and told him she was leaving him. She wants to move on," a source said, adding that Lavigne kicked him out. "Divorce papers will be filed any day now."

METRO WORLD NEWS



Burt checks in for rehab

GETTING THE BETTER OF HIM Burt Reynolds checked himself into a drug rehabilitation centre after realizing he had become "a prisoner of prescription pain pills," femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The actor, 73, was admitted to the Hanley Center in Florida last month after a nasty fall at his waterfront home in Hobe Sound.

According to the National Enquirer, Reynolds agreed to enroll in a detox and a regular 30-day rehab program after doctors feared for his mental health after his accident. A source told the

tabloid, "Burt was behaving strangely, and doctors were so concerned about his state of mind that they sent him to the county mental health facility in West Palm Beach. The facility refused to release him unless he agreed to go immediately into drug and alcohol rehab."

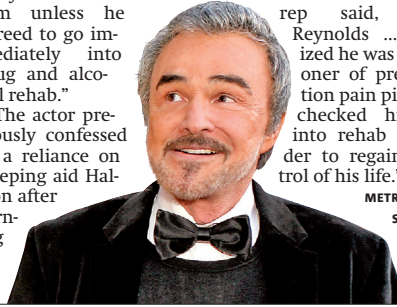
The actor previously confessed to a reliance on sleeping aid Halcion after turning to

the drug to ease the pain he felt from his temporomandibular joint disorder.

The star's manager confirmed the rehab, but insisted he only relapsed after back surgery.

In a statement, his rep said, "Mr. Reynolds ... realized he was a prisoner of prescription pain pills. He checked himself into rehab in order to regain control of his life."

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Mischa's wacky club outing

WHAT WOULD YOUR SOBER COACH SAY?

Mischa Barton's recent behaviour at a New York party suggests she's not listening to the sober coach her producers hired on her behalf. Barton turned heads when she allegedly stumbled up to the check-in desk and had trouble standing.

"She kept saying, in a really spacy, weird British

accent, 'Like, I'm with the DJ. I totally know the DJ,'" a source told Page Six, adding that after Barton was escorted to the DJ booth, she apparently stood "for about an hour, dancing in her own world. I don't think her eyes were open to full capacity — or even half capacity — the whole time she was there."

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Team Madonna-Janet?

SUPERGROUP Madonna is to duet with Janet Jackson after meeting after the MTV Video Music Awards, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

A source said: "It was a meeting of two great musical minds. Madonna was so impressed with Janet's tribute to Michael that they started talking about how great it

would be to honour him by doing something together.

"With that one performance (at the awards) Janet proved she's back on top of her game. And who better to join forces with than Madonna?" the source added.

"There was definitely something very interesting being planned between them."

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Work ahead for Chris

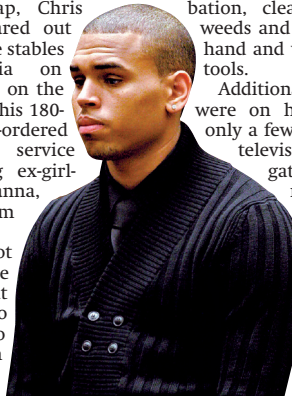
PUNISHMENT Dressed in an orange vest, white tank top, baggy jeans and red baseball cap, Chris Brown cleared out police horse stables in Virginia on Wednesday, on the first day of his 180-day court-ordered community service for beating ex-girlfriend Rihanna, popeater.com reports.

He did not speak to the media but he waved to fans who saw him working.

The 20-year-old singer worked alongside two others who were serving probation, clearing tall weeds and brush by hand and with yard tools.

Additional officers were on hand, but only a few fans and television crews gathered nearby.

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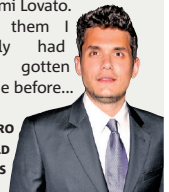
Celebrity tweets

John Mayer looks for a way to relax, and **Demi Lovato** look surprisingly like herself.

• **@johnmayer** Before Xanax, before Ambien, there was Cap'n Crunch. Over the counter. Safe. Non-habit forming. Scratchy.

• **@ddlovato** Somebody once told me I looked like Demi Lovato. I told them I honestly had never gotten that one before...

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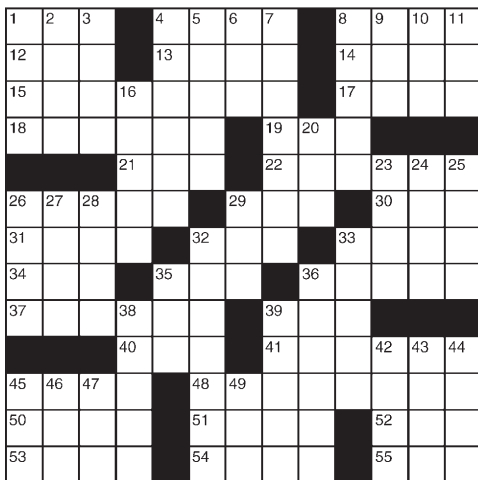
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1 Deviate from course
4 Soother
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15 Blimp name
17 Church seating
18 Not alfresco
19 Mischievous tyke
21 Stick with a kick
22 101-digit number
26 Chipped in at the start
29 "Eureka!"
30 Fish eggs
31 Equipment
32 Bankbook abbr.
33 Labyrinth
34 Bobby of hockey
35 Weight stat
36 Vestibule
37 Blunder
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twin
40 Buckeyes' sch.
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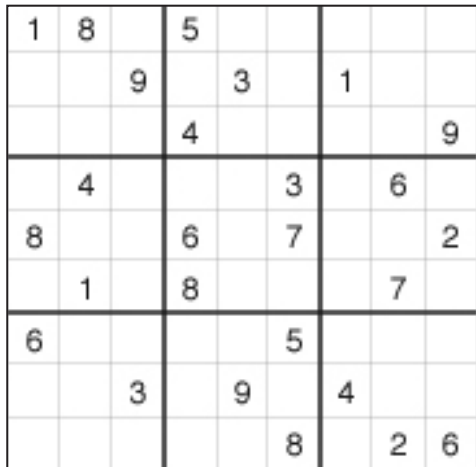
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3 Lumber
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5 Sidestep
6 Meadow
7 Perfect husband
8 A Marx brother
9 Praise in verse
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11 Em halves
16 Grandparent,

often
20 Extinct New Zealander
23 Confederate colour
24 Leak slowly
25 Lusty look
26 Enthusiastic
27 Pianist Peter
28 Poi base
29 Blackbird
32 Attacks with arguments
33 Three-card scam
35 Clear the tables
36 Less authentic
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42 Half (Pref.)
43 "Zounds!"
44 Gets older
45 Trot
46 WSJ news item
47 Pen point
49 Cheerios grain

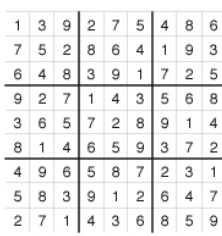
Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



On the web

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Metro Recipe of the Day



Mini Shuwa: Roast Leg of Lamb

In the Arabian Peninsula country of Oman, preparing shuwa is an elaborate effort, involving roasting in an underground clay oven for 24 to 48 hours. This mini shuwa can't quite match that tasty way of preparing meat and is only an easily made replica — but it's great for an Eid dinner. The Muslim holiday starts Sunday.

INGREDIENTS:

8 cloves garlic, crushed
2 tsp salt
1 tsp pepper
1 tsp cumin
1 tsp ground coriander seeds
1 tsp turmeric
1/2 tsp ground cloves
1/2 tsp chili flakes
4 tbsp cooking oil
2 tbsp vinegar
1 leg of lamb, from 5 to 6 pounds, with punched

holes in a few places

METHOD:

Thoroughly combine all ingredients, except lamb leg, then rub over lamb leg, forcing some of the liquid into the punched holes. Marinate in refrigerator overnight. Place in a roasting pan and cover, then roast in a 250 F pre-heated oven for 3 to 4 hours or until leg is well cooked, basting from pan juices every 30 minutes and turning over once or twice. Uncover and roast at 350 F for 20 minutes, turning over once. Carve and serve while hot with cooked rice.

SERVES 6

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ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20



It may seem as if someone is trying to undermine your position on the work front but don't worry. Something will happen that cheers you up.

LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23



Your solar year is drawing to a close and when the sun moves into your sign on the 22nd a brand new cycle begins.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21



You've been in excellent form of late, thanks to the sun's transit of the most dynamic area of your chart.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22



By all means have fun. By all means go out with your mates. But don't wear yourself out physically or spend too much.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21



The sun remains in the domestic area of your chart only until the 22nd, so if you need to kiss and make up with a partner or relative do so now.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21



The new moon makes it easy for you to convince those in positions of power that you deserve more responsibility.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22



You seem to have a lot on your mind at the moment and the simple fact is you are thinking too much. What's the point of worrying?

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20



You'll find it easy to impress others with your ideas but you need to go a step further and turn at least one of those ideas into something concrete.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23



Slow things down a bit and take stock of how far you have come over the past six months or so.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18



You may resent having to pay over the odds for something you probably think you should get for free, but don't make an issue of it.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22



The sun remains in your sign just a few more days, so push yourself hard and get as much done as you can.

PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20



Partnerships of all kinds have been under the spotlight of late but today's new moon will sweep them all away.

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2. Crooner Crosby's wedding bands (1)

3. Is familiar with cornfield birds (1)

4. Opium plant imitation (2)

5. Homer's wife's credit-card usages (2)

6. More in-shape baseball batter (2)

7. Sullies decorative touches to foods (3)

Every answer is a rhyming pair of words (like FAT CAT and DOUBLE TROUBLE), and they will fit in the letter squares. The number after the definition tells you how many syllables in each word.

ANSWERS: 1. PATIENT CARE 2. BINGO BING 3. KNOWS CROWS 4. JOPPY COPY 5. MARCHES CHARGES 6. LETTER LETTER 7. TAVARNISHES GARDENERS

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